



# Convention Issue

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### High Priest of Demeter to Attend Oregon State Convention

Bruce Croucher, High Priest of Demeter, and his wife Sharon have been invited to attend this year's Oregon State Grange Convention representing the National Grange.

Brother Bruce joined the Grange in 1967 after marrying into a Grange family. He took all seven degrees in the same year. He along with Sharon was a marching candidate in the Seventh Degree at the centennial session of the National Grange in Syracuse, New York. Bruce and Sharon served as New York State Grange and National Grange Youth Directors. Bruce was first elected to a State Grange Office in 1979 and has served as Gatekeeper, Steward, Overseer and Master. He is currently Communications Director for New York State Grange, Secretary of the NY State Grange Executive Committee and President of the New York State Grange Foundation. He is also a member of the New York State Grange Museum Board. Bruce retired as State Master in 2007.

Bruce had a thirty-year career as a math teacher in the Phelps-Clifton Springs School district. He retired from that position in 1996. He serves as Director of the Ontario Insurance Company. As a director he serves on the Executive Committee and the Investment Committee. He is currently Board Chairman. Bruce served a two-year term as chair of the Empire State Council of Agricultural Organizations and still represents New York State Grange on that Council. He is active in his church serving as a lay reader and Eucharistic Minister.

Bruce served on the National Grange Executive Committee from



1999 through 2007. He served as Priest Annalist of the Assembly of Demeter from 2007 until 2013. He currently serves as High Priest of Demeter.

Sharon is a retired School Library Media Specialist. Most of those years were spent at the Midlakes Middle School in the Phelps-Clifton Springs School District. She received her B.S. in Ed. and her Masters of Library Science degrees from State University of New York at Geneseo.

Sharon, a third generation Granger was born and raised in the Grange. A former Juvenile (Junior) Grange member, Sharon has belonged to Clifton Springs Grange #1042 since 1958. She has held several offices in the local and county Granges. She and her husband Bruce were New York State Grange Young Couple of the Year in 1974 and served as N.Y.S. Grange Youth Directors from 1975-77. She and Bruce also served as National Grange Youth Directors from 1981-83. In 1999



### Add to Your Grange Adventure at This Year's Convention in Molalla

District #4 selected "Grange Adventures – Molalla 2019" as the theme of this year's State Grange Convention. District #4 is full of adventure with hiking, skiing, rafting, fishing, hunting snowmobiling, camping, windsurfing and kiteboarding to name just some of the opportunities for adventures.

The convention site is the Molalla High School, 357 E Francis Street in Molalla; the same site as the 2006 state convention.

The convention begins on Saturday, June 22<sup>nd</sup> and runs through Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup>. Can't get away that many days? No problem. You will find the schedule starting on page 12 of this issue. If you are bringing your kids or grandkids, check the schedules specifically for Youth/Young Adults and Juniors on pages 15-16

Didn't order meal tickets by the June 1 deadline? No problem. You can buy salad bar tickets at registration and create a filling salad. The kitchen under the leadership of Bev Bush and the Clarkes Grange catering crew will have muffins, bagels

and fruit available most morning and pie in the afternoon.

The convention will follow a similar format to last year's with both the Veterans Committee and the Agriculture committee hosting tours. The GWA will again have their ever-popular craft at their conference.

Returning after a successful debut last year will be the Trade Show. Each of the State Grange standing committees and the Communications team will have a table at a Trade Show in the library on Monday evening from 6-7:30 pm. This will be an opportunity for the committees to share information about their programs. It will also provide you a chance to meet the Directors and committee members, ask questions and share information and ideas.

District #4 is excited to host this year's convention that promises to be a week filled with fun and adventure.



Sharon was appointed to the National Grange Strategic Planning Task Force. She served as New York State Grange Lecturer from 2009-2015 and as State Overseer from April 2017 until October 2017.

In addition to Grange, Sharon is active in retired teachers' groups, the Red Hat Society and her local church. Sharon and Bruce live in the farmhouse where Sharon grew up. They have three grown children who are all active Grangers.

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### Bulletin Deadline

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## The Master's Column

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The state office looks like we need a good spring cleaning! We just finished with the Salute to Agriculture Luncheon the Oregon State Grange served at the State Capitol so those boxes are still here. We are starting on delegate packets for the convention so tables are already getting piled with papers, and now I just added three large boxes of door prizes to the mix! The office won't be the same until sometime in July when all is put away and we are back to a normal routine.

But this is a great time of the Grange year. We served over 300 meals at the Capitol on May 18<sup>th</sup> and heard hundreds of voices thanking the Grange for all the work we do in Oregon Communities. A big thank you goes to Clarkes Grange for their wonderful catering crew, Bev and Gary Bush, Jim Dumolt, Christy Dumolt, Ken and Shirley Naylor and Annette Naylor, who cooked the meal and to Mark Noah and Jay Sexton for their work in scheduling and set up, including the time Mark took to notify each and every state legislator of the event. Every two years, during the long session of the legislature we host this luncheon and the workers at our State Capitol look forward to it. Other volunteers included Jeff and Liz Dehne, Sarah Kingsborough and Don Kingsborough. Working alongside all of these members always reminds me of what a great organization we have!

Another great event this spring was Ag Fest the last weekend in April. My thanks to Jay Sexton, for gathering up a wonderful group of volunteers and to Paula and Vernon Herrick, of Herrick Farms who planted and tended the 5,000 plus tomato and marigold seedlings. Our booth was visited by well over 5,000 kids and adults, coming through in droves to plant and take home a flower or a tomato plant. Some visitors come through each year to

pick up a tomato or two, others were there for the first time and excited to be able to actually take home a plant! The two-day event draws thousands of Salem area residents to the Fairgrounds to learn more about agriculture and food sources. Our booth was filled with friendly Grangers from Benton, Clackamas, Columbia, Lane, Marion, Washington & Yamhill counties. This event is always held the last weekend in April, and the State Grange is always looking for volunteers.

These are just a couple of events that the State Grange takes part in each year. We strive to get the word out about the organization but your Community Grange can do so much more, and it is at the community level where real differences can be made. The State Grange can raise awareness of the Grange as a whole, but you and your Grange are what really makes a difference. The real Grange lives in the community and our members care for the community they live in.

As I noted I just purchased boxes of door prizes to be given away as attendance prizes at the State Convention in June. Plan on attending and who knows you might just be the recipient of a new item for your car, for camping or for your garden or home! And the door prizes are not even the best part of the convention! You are!

As a 50-year member I have only missed one or two conventions in that time and the part I enjoy the most is reconnecting with friends and family from around the state. There is work involved, the delegates do set the policy for the coming year through the resolution process. But we also take the time to celebrate the accomplishments of our members and our Granges. The Agriculture department will select an Agriculturalist of the Year, the Community Service Department



will select a Volunteer of the Year, as well as acknowledge Firefighters, Policemen and Teachers. There are opportunities to show off your skills in traditional crafts, photography and art and opportunities to learn more about the Grange. If you have not attended a State Convention now is the time to start! Each Grange is allowed two delegates, but all of our members are invited and welcome to attend. The first four degrees will be exemplified on Saturday at 1pm and the fifth and sixth on Sunday at 4pm and 7:30pm respectively. The entire schedule for the week is printed in this paper. Come and join with your fellow members in making this convention a success.

One more reminder for nominations for Grange Heroes in your Grange. In keeping with the National Grange theme of *Grange Heroes in our Hometowns*, the State Grange would like to honor a Grange Hero each day at the convention. I am asking for our members to nominate someone whom they believe has been a Grange Hero, and deserves to wear the Grange Hero cape. The person nominated would have to be in attendance at the State Convention this June, and the nominations may be given to me there, or emailed to me before the session starts. I just need a short paragraph about the nominee and why they are a Grange Hero. A deserving member will be selected each day to wear the Grange Hero cape. I know we have many members who have served their Grange and their community with countless hours of service, so let's take the time to recognize them!

See you in Molalla!



*Left-right: Over 300 meals were served at the "Salute to Agriculture" luncheon at the State Capitol on May 18<sup>th</sup>. Serving food are OSG Master Susan Noah; Bev Bush, Clarkes Grange; OSG Overseer Jay Sexton; Shirley Naylor, Clarkes Grange; Annette Naylor, Clarkes Grange; OSG Legislative Director Mark Noah; and Jim Dumolt, Clarkes Grange.*

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## BINGO at Benton County Granges

Through the leadership of the Benton Pomona Grange #36 and Lyle Utt in particular, the Granges of Benton County will soon be able to host BINGO games for the benefit of the individual Halls, themselves, and for whatever purpose they desire.

Lyle Utt, Benton Pomona Master, has tracked down the details of the State Regulation of BINGO and Hope Grange of Alsea has generously donated the BINGO equipment from their Hall, which was not being used. Members of Fairmount Grange have worked on rehabilitating and modernizing the equipment and have hosted their first BINGO event on April 6th, along with a spaghetti feed, at their hall in North Albany. This first "test run" went well, with the common 50/50 split of prizes to fundraising, rais-

ing \$130. Future events will benefit from the lessons learned.

The plan is for the Pomona Grange to maintain the equipment and supplies and train Grange members from the various Subordinate Granges in the details and rules of running a BINGO event. After helping out at a BINGO event at Fairmount Grange the other Granges can host a BINGO event at their hall with their Grange keeping 75% of the funds raised and the Pomona receiving 25% for "Rent" of the equipment and supplies. State law requires inexpensive licensing, following basic rules, and simple record keeping.

It seems like a win/win – thanks to Benton Pomona Grange, Lyle Utt, Hope Grange, and the members of Fairmount Grange.



## St. Patrick's Day Dance Draws Crowd at McMinnville Grange

About 100 people turned out for the St. Patrick's Day Dance at the McMinnville Grange #31, Yamhill County, on March 15th. The Country Gents Band played an Irish lullaby, and put an Irish twist on "Whiskey for Breakfast". Wayne Clemmer chaired this special event with the help of Theresa Cheslock-Clemmer, Marsha Restorff

and Jackie Doran. Part way through the dance they had an Irish Potluck downstairs consisting of Corn Beef and Cabbage, and Irish Stew with soda biscuits, plus desserts. It sounds like many of the dancers went home very tired from all the dancing, and full from the delicious Irish food that was served. A good time was had by all!

Right: Many dancers turned out for the special St. Patrick's Day Dance at McMinnville Grange.

## The Lecturer's Column

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### Greetings

Members have asked that I include information about participating in the State Lecturer's "Showcase of Talent" at the State Grange Convention in my article. This is the same information that is printed in the Awards, Contests, and Scholarship Booklet.

### Talent Showcase/Contest

#### Rules:

- Each contestant must be a Grange member, but the accompanist for a vocal entry does not have to be a member.
- Groups need not be members of the same Grange.
- Groups can include Junior Grangers or 1+ Junior members; however, at least half must be Subordinate/Community Grange members.
- Subordinate/Community Granges are not limited to one entry per category.
- Taped accompaniment for vocal entries must be instrumental only.
- Taped accompaniment is not allowed for instrumental acts.
- Sign A Song* is permitted in the variety act category. However, *two weeks notification* must be given prior to the competition, so that a sign language judge can be at the performance.
- Judging will be held at the State Grange Convention in June. Contestants must make their own arrangements for attending the State Grange Convention.
- NOTE:** Contestants must sign in with State Lecturer no later than noon on **Saturday**

**June 22** and participate in a sound check at least two hours before the contest.

- Those who represent Oregon at the National Grange are not allowed to compete in the following year.

The maximum time is **5:00** minutes, which includes any time required to set up and take down props used in the act. The minimum time limit is 3 minutes. Two points per minute or portion thereof will be deducted from total points for going over or under the time limit. (10 points maximum deduction).

The **Best of Show** winner will be provided with three nights' lodging and travel fare to the National Grange Convention in November, where they will represent Oregon and perform in the National Grange "Evening of Excellence." National Grange will award each participant \$100.

2019 National Grange will be Nov. 5-9 in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

I have seen many pictures posted on facebook of members entertaining at their Granges. Wouldn't it be terrific to see these members perform in the Saturday evening Talent Showcase at State Grange?!

As the Convention gets closer, I am getting excited about the many sponsored Lecturer's Contests this year and to see all the entries. We have so many talented Grangers' in our wonderful state.

I am looking forward to seeing **YOU** in Molalla in June.

### Talent Contest Judging Criteria: Points

Overall Performance	30
Audience Response/Appeal	20
Stage Presence/Appearance	10
Originality	20
Personality	10
Time Deduction	10
<b>Total Points Possible:</b>	<b>100</b>



## Creswell Grange Hosts Grange Play Fest

By Aliya Hall  
The Creswell Chronicle

Is it a coincidence that three patients visit the office of Dr. Boehnkrakker on the same day after being hit by a speeding car? The three patients don't think so. As they lament about filling out paperwork and waiting for their doctor, they realize that they were all hit by the same car. While devising a plan to get even with the perpetrator, Dr. Boehnkrakker walks in and the patients recognize him as the hit-and-run culprit.

As the patients hobble after the doctor, the nurse stands up and looks to the audience: "He said he was going to get new patients one way or another," eliciting laughter and applause. Fortunately, this violent doctor is only the premise of Creswell Grange's play for the Grange Play Fest, "Dr. Boehnkrakker Strikes Again," which was performed on April 23. This annual tradition has been in place since the '60s, where local Granges create and perform original 15-minute plays and tour them. Vickie Weathers, playwright and patient number three, said the festival is a lot of fun and brings people into the Grange. "We try to keep it simple and entertaining," she said. "We're pretty funny people and try to keep it family oriented."

There are seven other Granges involved this year: Goldson, Dorena,

Goshen, Crow, Walterville, Mohawk-McKenzie and Irving. Walterville and Irving Granges also performed with Creswell that night. "I'm looking forward to seeing what the other two Granges come up with, and to see how well (the audience) take Stan's jokes; he is so funny," Weathers added.

President of the Grange, Martin McClure said that the Grange fest is fun, free entertainment. After the plays, the Grange also provided sandwiches along with raffle baskets and door prizes. "People like getting out and seeing something original," he said. "It can be pretty darn funny, and it's a great time for Granges to get together." Before opening night, McClure said he didn't know anything about the show because the cast was so secretive. "No one in the Grange has been allowed to see it ahead of time," he explained.

"Dr. Boehnkrakker Strikes Again" has a cast of four community members. Dottie Jennings played the nurse; Stanley Garbodin, Tom Pearson and Vickie Weathers played patients one through three, respectively; and Patrick Dearth played the handyman and Dr. Boehnkrakker. Garbodin said the play was a



L-r: Patients played by Vickie Weathers, Tom Pearson and Stanley Garbodin along with Dottie Jennings as the nurse in Creswell's "Dr. Boehnkrakker Strikes Again."

good opportunity to "act crazy for 15 minutes."

When it comes to writing the plays, Weathers said an idea will just come to her, and she will flesh it out as she writes it down. Then it's decided the number of people and parts are given out based on the amount of lines someone wants. She already has two ideas in her head for next year.

Weathers, who first joined the Grange in 1970, said that Granges have seen a decline in recent years; in the past, there have been up to 15 Granges participating in the play fest. Granges started by coalitions of farmers throughout the country, and are known for their agricultural roots.

Although there has been a shift to

community service through Granges, Weathers said Granges are still only popular with older generations. "Kids aren't being taught agriculture; they're not being taught community service," she said. To combat the disinterest, Weathers said the Grange is trying to bring more events like the plays, flea markets and bingo to the community. "We're trying to get more things going on to bring in different groups of people," she said.

The play fest continued throughout the month of May: May 3, Mohawk-McKenzie Grange hosted Irving and Goldson Granges; May 9, Dorena Grange hosted Crow and Mohawk-McKenzie Granges; and May 10, Irving Grange hosted Mohawk-McKenzie and Goshen Granges. Doors opened at 6pm and the plays started at 7pm.



Above: Edie Moro, with her trusty sheep dog, in Goldson Grange's "Sheep Gone Crazy."

Right: Greeter, Brendon Crabtree helping shopper, Alisha Nilsen in Goshen Grange's "People Greeter, First and Last Day" at Grange Mart.



Above: Walterville Grange members in "Aunt Ory's Down Home Cooking Show."

## Lots of Laughs Heard During the 2019 Lane Granges Play Festival

The Lane County Pomona Play festival is now in the books for this year, the last chapter was Friday, May 11<sup>th</sup> with plays at Creswell Grange performed by Creswell, Goshen, and Crow Granges. Over the three-week run twenty-four plays were performed, three each night at eight different Grange halls. Granges participating in the festival were:

- Creswell with "Dr. Boehnkrakker Strikes Again"
- Crow with "Touched by an Alien"
- Dorena with "Come Together at the Grange"
- Goldson with "Sheep Gone Crazy"
- Goshen with "People Greeters, First and Last Day"
- Irving with "Springtime at the Grange"
- Mohawk-McKenzie with "Hillbilly Flea Market"
- Walterville with "Aunt Ory's Down Home Cooking Show"

Attendance was good at all the performances and lots of laughs were shared.



Above: Mark Noah, Mohawk-McKenzie Grange in "Hillbilly Flea Market."

Below: Crow Grange's Connie Suing, Sophia Stout, Dan Suing, Noah Strasheim and Lexie Suing in "Touched by an Alien."







## The Chaplain's Corner

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It's a beautiful day; the sun is shining and it appears spring has come early this year. As I have said before, spring is my favorite time of the year. It is a time of rebirth, renewal, resurrection and new life. Have you ever stopped and looked at all the greens there are this time of year? There are literally hundreds. Each variation represents God's great handiwork and plans for this world. Every type of tree is a different color of green; some even have new growth at the ends of their limbs signifying new life and displaying yet another shade of green within one tree. What a marvelous display of our Creator's handiwork.

The degrees of the Grange take us through the seasons and lessons learned in each of these seasons. The sixth degree is when we see the annual rebirth of earth, bringing us joy and hope. It is my favorite degree and if you have not had the opportunity to see the degree before, I urge you to attend. If you have only had the Welcoming Ceremony, I implore you to come to State Grange and enjoy the degrees. It will give you so much better understanding of the Grange and a great appreciation for the Creator-also our responsibilities to this Earth and each other.

This year has gone so fast and State Grange Convention is soon ap-

proaching. What a special time it is. It is a time for Grangers to come together and work for the future of our organization. And, what a time it is for old friends to get together and new friendships to be formed. I hope you come.

God expects us to live in friendship and fellowship – to not be alone and to do the good works which God prepared beforehand. (Ephesians 2:10). I urge our young families to come to the Convention. You will be able to take so much information back with you to share with your Grange – new ideas, correct ways to run a meeting, contacts which you will be able to use in the future.

I urge all of you to come and respect what others have to say even if you fervently disagree with them. Romans 12:9-13 tells us "Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. Do not be slothful in zeal; be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the saints and show hospitality." If we all come to Grange, whether State Grange or our local Grange with this in our hearts our Granges will thrive and not divide.

Come, have a great time and enjoy friends – old and new!

## Notes from the Office

Office Hours:  
Tuesday-Wednesday-Thursday  
8am - 4:30pm  
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### IRS 990 ePostcard

For most Granges the filing is due May 1–Sept 15, 2019. This must be done; it is not optional. You should have received detailed instruction by now on how to complete this important filing from the OSG Office. There were little or no changes from last year. Please send proof of **Acceptance** with your second quarter report in July. If you have any concerns or need further information about the 990 filing, please contact Suzy Ramm at (503) 316-0106.

### State Convention

Your State Session Checklist:

- By now, you should have received the State Session packet for your Grange. This packet includes the Pre-Registration form, Credentials for delegates, Committee preference form, meal order form and lodging information. Please double check the due dates on this information and submit them appropriately. If your Grange has **NOT** received this packet, please call the Oregon State Grange Office at (503) 316-0106 ASAP.
- Complete the Credentials form for the second voting delegate and alternate delegates to the State Grange Convention and send them in or bring with you to convention.
- Be sure to inform the OSG Office of any of your Grange's deceased members that were Delegates or State Officers, Directors or State Junior or Youth Officers. The names of these members will be read aloud at the Memorial Service. We want to be as up-to-date as possible with this information.
- Encourage your members to enter the GWA and Lecturer's Contests. It's fun and easy to do!

- Delegates bring a 3-ring binder, or buy one from the youth during registration, to keep your paperwork in. Otherwise you'll be shuffling papers from a manila envelope or on your lap.
- Attend the orientation for ALL delegates Sunday afternoon.
- Tuesday is red tennis shoe day to support our Juniors. It is also red, white & blue day to honor our Veterans with your choice in apparel, pins, ribbons – all in good taste.
- Wednesday is the day to honor our youth and what better way than to purchase tickets for the Goodie Baskets.

### The Quarterly Report

The second Quarterly Report of 2019 is due by the end of July. Be sure to review the information carefully and submit any changes in your membership on the backside of the report. You can download the backside of the quarterly report from the OSG website, type in the names and addresses, print it and mail it with the front section of the report. Be sure to make a copy for your records. It is crucial that the OSG Office receives your report before our Quarterly Report to the National Grange is filed.

Do you know what happens to all the information you send in on the forms that you work so hard to complete? Many people think that no one reads them or that the information is not used for anything. These Reports DO MATTER. The information is reviewed quarterly by the OSG Office Staff and the Executive Committee. Pertinent decisions are made regarding the OSG and our Subordinate Granges based upon your reports.

## NOTICE to Spencer Creek Members

Spencer Creek Grange #855, Lane County, 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 in writing at a prior regular meeting. The proposed amendment will again be presented to the membership for action and vote during the July 16<sup>th</sup> regular business meeting held 7:PM at the Grange hall located at 86013 Lorane Highway, Eugene, OR 97405. Passage of the amendment requires a two-thirds vote of the members then present.

Added Article VII:

### "ARTICLE VII - Alcoholic Beverages

#### Section 1

6.1.1 All Subordinate Granges are prohibited from having alcoholic beverages either in the Grange Hall or on any of the Grange property during any Grange meeting or Grange sponsored event. Granges meeting in buildings or on property not owned by the Grange may not allow the consumption of alcoholic beverages during any Grange meeting.

6.1.2 All Granges may have sealed containers of alcoholic beverages at Grange meetings and activities for use as demonstration aids, gifts, or fundraisers. Such containers shall remain sealed at such Grange meeting or activity.

6.1.3 A subordinate Grange may allow the use of alcoholic beverages at functions sponsored by non-Grange groups that use the Grange property. Such Users shall provide proof of host liquor or liquor liability coverage. Any Use Agreement that will include the use of alcoholic beverages sponsored by non-Grange groups shall include appropriate conditions to insure that, at a minimum, the Use Agreement is in full compliance with current State and National Grange established policies regarding alcoholic beverages."



### 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	August 10	10:30 AM	Missouri Flat Grange
Benton #36	July 20	10:30 AM	Willamette Grange
Clackamas #1	July 27	10:00 AM	Harding Grange
Columbia #18	August 3	10:00 AM	Natal Park
Deschutes #25	August 10	11:30 AM	Midland Grange
Douglas #13	July 27	6:00 PM	Myrtle Creek Grange
Jackson #27	June 8	2:00 PM	Phoenix Grange
Josephine #20	June 29	10:00 AM	Deer Creek Grange
Lane #14	July 13	10:00 AM	Ada Grange
Lincoln #10	August 17	10:30 AM	Salmon River Grange
Linn #12	July 13	10:00 AM	Santiam Valley Grange
Polk #3	July 11	10:00 AM	Oak Grove Grange
Tillamook #9	September 7	3:00 PM	Fairview Grange
Umatilla-Morrow #26	July 27	10:30 AM	Boardman Park
Wallowa #22	July 13	10:00 AM	South Fork Grange
Washington-Yamhill #2	July 27	10:00 AM	Forest Grove Grange



## The Agricultural Report

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After a successful "Seed Swap" event, I realize that not everyone knows the following information! So please enjoy reading about different kinds of seeds:

Heirloom seeds and open-pollinated are traditional varieties which have been grown and selected for their desirable traits for millennia. These seeds mutate and adapt to the local ecosystem.

Open-pollinated seed simply means that the plant has been pollinated naturally by insects, wind, or birds, for example. Seeds saved from these plants will produce plants just like the parent plant as long as no cross-pollination has occurred. (*Squash is notorious for crossing, making their saved seed a gamble.*)

Heirloom seeds are open-pollinated seeds with provenance. The seed has been saved and grown and protected through many generations, and that history is preserved along with the seed. Companies and individuals who are in the business of saving seed take great pains to prevent cross-pollination from occurring so that the seeds they sell will be "true".

## The Oregon State Grange Sponsors State FFA Public Speaking Contest

For the 83rd consecutive year the Oregon State Grange was proud to sponsor of the Oregon FFA Prepared Public Speaking Career Development Event. This sponsorship was first authorized in 1936 and makes the Oregon State Grange the longest continuous sponsor of an FFA event in Oregon.

The Grange is a longtime supporter of vocational agriculture. The National Grange was instrumental in passing the Smith-Hughes Act of 1917 that promoted vocational agricultural education and provided federal funds for that purpose.

Hybrid seeds are the first generation off-springs of two distant and distinct parental lines of the same species. Pollination is tightly controlled and the plant is bred to have very specific traits, like disease resistance. For example, a very tasty tomato may be crossed with a tomato that always produces an early crop to form a new hybrid variety that is both delicious and early.

Seed taken from a hybrid may either be sterile or more commonly fail to "breed true," that is, not incorporating and expressing the desired traits of the parent.

What about GMO seeds? Genetically modified seeds are not to be confused with hybridized seeds. Genetic engineering allows the lab-controlled transfer of one specific gene or a small set of genes within a plant family or across species lines. It is possible to transfer genes from animals, bacteria, insects, or most any living organism into plants.

Genetic modification is very controversial, and seed generated through this process is highly protected by patents, and may not be saved for planting the following year.

This year's winners in the Prepared Public Speaking contest were:

- 1st - Gracie Krahn, Santiam Christian FFA
- 2nd - Macy Rosselle, Pendleton FFA
- 3rd - Timothy Fairchild, Perrydale FFA
- 4th - Anna Persell, Sandy FFA

Gracie Krahn of the Santiam Christian chapter, as is the custom, has been invited to present her speech at the OSG annual convention in Molalla in June.

See how Grange youth did - page 26



This year's Prepared Public Speaking winners show off their banners at the state FFA convention in Redmond.

Photo courtesy of the Oregon FFA Association



Above: Students learn about goats.

## Lookingglass Grange's AG Day

On Wednesday, April 10 Lookingglass Grange #927, Douglas County, presented AG Day in partnership with the Douglas FFA. Students from the Lookingglass Elementary School had an opportunity to learn about plants and animals. Also contributing to the event were A Bar A Ranch, Debs Gardens, Dennis Gross, Dixie Williams, Mulberry Orchard, Umpqua Spinners

and Weavers Guild, Wagon Wheel Farm, Wild Rose Farm, and 3 R's. Support was received from Coastal Farm Supply, Douglas County Beekeepers Association, Douglas County Farm Bureau, and DC Farmers Coop. Also, thank you to the Douglas County Sheriff's Office for providing an officer to assure the safety of the students and their dirt babies!

Below: Students smell wool. Ewe!



## Little Deschutes Hosts Garden Classes

Almost every Sunday for the past several of months Little Deschutes Grange #939, Deschutes County, has been holding garden classes. The focus of these classes has been on growing vegetables and fruits in the La Pine area and what it takes to have a successful garden. They have several Master Gardeners that regularly attend to answer questions.

The classes are open for the public to attend for free. They have been averaging fifteen to twenty people per class with a high of 28. Starting in February this year, they have held nine classes and even with snow days people came. Even for Easter Sunday, those normally attending ask that they not cancel the classes, and fourteen people showed up.



More than twenty people attended a recent gardening class at Little Deschutes Grange.





Several new members of Macleay Grange #293 worked a shift at Ag Fest.

## The Grange Visible At Ag Fest

The 32nd annual Oregon Ag Fest was held at the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem, Oregon April 27-28 and the Oregon State Grange was again a part of it. Located in the AG Country - which is the heart and soul of Oregon Ag Fest - is where the Oregon State Grange's activity center and display was located. Over 20,000 people visited Ag Fest this year.

Oregon Grange volunteers (over 40 people) helped transplant seedlings into peat pots for visitors to take home, handing out literature and talking "Grange" to Oregon families. A special Thank You to Vern and Paula Herrick of Waltherville Grange who grew over 5000 marigold, and tomato seedlings for the event.



Right: Youth Director Connie Suing help youngsters plant tomatoes and marigolds.

Below: Playing in the soil is so much fun for children at Ag Fest.



## Ag Fest Thank You

Thank you to of those who helped with Ag Fest. We had a great two days.

Aislin McClain  
Alan Becker  
Anne Startin  
Barker Statzer  
Briauna Herrick  
Brody Bloomer  
Cameron Herrick  
Carolin Pettit  
Carrie Shaw  
Cheryl Detmar  
Connie Suing  
Cookie Trupp  
Dick Putnam  
Eva Frost  
Gene Restorff  
Hannele Gauthier

Heather Noble  
Jay Sexton  
Jeff Dehne  
Joyce Parker  
Kate McClain  
Kenny Payne  
Kris Kuiper  
Liz Dehne  
Loreen Huffman  
Malcolm Trupp  
Marilyn Reiher  
Mark Noah  
Marsha Restorff  
Morgan Eipp  
Pam Lavelle  
Paula Herrick

Peggy Jillson  
Riona McClain  
Roger Williamson  
Rowena Miller  
Staci Bloomer  
Susan Noah  
Suzy Ramm  
Teresa Cemec  
Theresa Clemmer  
Tim Dehne  
Tim Dunk  
Vernon Herrick  
Wayne Clemmer  
Wayne Detmar

## Grange Members Come Together

In early April, the Willamette River near Corvallis passed flood stage. Past Master of Marys River Grange #685, Benton County, Hank Keogh saw his Avoca Farm under six feet of water. Members of Marys River pledged to help, and in late April, once the waters had receded and the land dried, eight members of the Grange as well as friends and help from Adaptive Seed and Wild Seed Farms met on a sunny Sunday morning.

Mercifully the river waters had not

scoured the plantings, so the work for the day was to remove flood debris from fence lines, reset posts, especially corners, and in one case, replace a downed section of fence where the posts had sheared off at the ground. Within three hours, both fields had been cleared of debris, and all fences replaced or repaired. It was great to see members and fellow farmers turn out to help someone in need, and everyone involved so happy for participating in such worthwhile work.



Members of Marys River Grange came together to help repair flood damage.



## Arbor Day at the Grange

About 50 people gathered at Columbia Grange # 267, Multnomah County, on April 26th to celebrate Arbor Day and honor the vital role trees play in the world. This rich and multi-faceted event began with an invitation to choose a tree to take home and then segued to an evening of inspired readings.

Program included Group reading of Dennis Wiancko's Our Mother's Prayer, Isaiah Irving piano interlude— Song of Trees, Youth Poets Miguel Arzeta, Cyrus Kurkinen, Kyla Grace Shannon, & Isaiah Ir-

ving sharing their poems, Author Apricot Irving reading from The Gospel of Trees, winner of the Oregon Books Award for Creative Nonfiction, Kim Stafford, Oregon's Poet Laureate, reading his poetry, the audience sharing a story about a tree with the person next to them, Arthur Shavers sharing his story with the audience and Scott Kloos sharing his book Pacific Northwest Medicinal Plants: Identify, Harvest, and Use 120 Wild Herbs for Health and Wellness. Drew Slum ended the event with his amazing poem/performance.



Author Apricot Irving read from her book *The Gospel of Trees*: winner of the Oregon Books Award for Creative Nonfiction.



## Tigard Grange Plants Trees

On March 23, the Tigard Grange #148, Washington County, in partnership with Friends of Trees and the Wellesley College Choir, planted 30 mid-sized trees to frame the historic Grange hall property on Highway 99W in Tigard, Oregon.

This was the first phase of a two-phase plan to "green" the Grange. Three years ago, the Tigard Grange set the goal of developing its land in a sustainable manner with native plant species that will require limited care and maintenance. Phase One resulted in the planting trees that can grow for over 100 years or more. Phase two will involve foundation plantings to beautify the Grange hall landscape. This action is possible with a grant given to the Tigard Grange by the City of Tigard to help fulfill the city's vision of a "green" Tigard with new plantings throughout the city including along Highway 99W.

Planting trees is an act of faith in the future and an act of promoting sustainability. Trees provide community, economic and environmental benefits simultaneously. Some studies indicate that Oregon is a climate neutral state because of our forestry practices.

The Grange was fortunate to have an expert partnership with the Portland-based nonprofit, Friends of Trees (FOT). FOT assisted the Grange with planning and arrang-

ing the planting event, including additional volunteers, selecting and providing the trees, and developing a care plan for the future. The Grange was fortunate to have 40



women student volunteers from the fantastic Wellesley College Choir from the Boston, Massachusetts area. The choir was visiting the area on tour and was looking for a community service project in the Portland area. They were contacted through informal connections with Wellesley College alumnae, including Nancy Murray of the Tigard Grange.

The lovely sounds of the Wellesley College Choir are now gone but the fragrance of Incense Cedar, Oregon White Oak, Red Cedar, Ponderosa Pine, Douglas Fir, and Giant Sequoia will live on.



With the help of Wellesley College alumnae and Tigard Grange member, Nancy Murray, the Wellesley College Choir chose the Grange the recipient of a community service project while they were in town.

## Ada Celebrates Grange Month With Ice Cream

Ada Grange #570, Lane County, celebrated Grange Month as Lecturer Heather Elliott and Master Megan Schofield served free ice cream sundaes to their bingo players with the theme Come together at Ada Grange.



Sisters in picture ~ L. to R.: Alma Beaumont, Maxine Smith, Margy Rebmann, Laura Roberts and Jadala Coyle.

## Lacomb Honors Grange Mothers

At Lacomb Grange #907, Linn County, May 10th meeting, Lecturer Diane Tanner did a program celebrating Mother's Day and honored each of Lacomb's mothers with an orchid corsage. Honored were

Alma Beaumont, Maxine Smith, Margy Rebmann, Laura Roberts and Jadala Coyle. Between these five mothers, there are a total of fifteen children, twenty grandchildren and thirty great grandchildren!

## 2019 National Grange Fly-In

The National Grange Fly-In to Washington, DC was April 28-May 1. A total of twenty-two Grange members from eleven states met with thirty-one members of Congress or their staff. The group was also briefed by Anne Hazlett, Senior Advisor for Rural Affairs, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, and by Preston Wise, Special Counselor to Chairman Pai at the Federal Communications Commission.

Tina and Riley Reynolds made a fast trip to DC to be a part of it. On Monday they were at the National Grange headquarters listening to the various speakers and briefings. Riley and Tina had appointments on Capitol Hill on Monday afternoon. They spoke with the staff of Oregon's Senators Merkley and Wyden about Telecommunications, Healthcare, Education, and Agriculture. They had with them folders provided by the National Grange that they could use as talking points. The folders were then left with the staff. The staffers they meet with told Tina and Riley that having a youth come for a meeting impressed them

as they see many people but in six months Riley was the only youth and on top of that he was able to really speak about the issues.

Tina asked what the Grange could do to get more of the Grange's issues and positions looked at. The staffers said do exactly this, meetings, or drop by with folders with the information you want your representative to work on. And get the Grange Youth into these meetings to make more of an impression and that it'll create a buzz. They also were escorted by an intern to the office of Bonamici to drop off the folder. The intern talked to Riley about her internship and the great opportunity to look into no matter what you want to become. It was their 2nd year of going to the National Grange Legislative Fly-In; if you ever have a chance to go they'd recommend it.







## Bailey Barks

It's June! Dad and I are going for more walks, more adventures! You know when dogs explore a new place, we dive in nose first. Excitement and curiosity overcome fear of the unknown. We love adventures and love reading the "road map" that other dogs have left for us, if you get my meaning.

But adventure is important for our spirit, as well as our minds and bodies. For people as well. Getting out and experiencing new things keeps you humans happy and resilient as well. I hear a "Grange Adventure" is coming up in June, and while it will take Mom and Dad away for a week, I'll have my adventure with my babysitters! Last time they were at my house, our big adventure was watching them find their socks I buried in the backyard. I thought it was a great adventure - them, not so much.

But "Grange Adventures" is the theme of your State Grange Con-

vention this year, and if you have never attended you should go this year. Mom and Dad always seem to have a good time, although when they get back Mom always hugs me tight and tells me she really missed me, and I think of course you did!

It is in Molalla, at the high school and starts June 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sounds like a fun week, with lots of banquets, ice cream, snacks. But maybe I'm too focused on food! Don't forget the friends and fellowship, and the adventure of something new.

And as long as you are going, DO NOT FORGET, Bailey's Good Dog contest. Make a gift package for a "good dog" and enter in the contest. All of the entries are donated at the end of the week to a local shelter with dogs waiting to have adventures with their forever family.

I'm looking forward to a wonderful summer of adventures and I hope you are too!

Woof, Bailey

## Springwater Honors Its Members

Springwater Grange #263 hosted the Clackamas County visitation on April 22<sup>nd</sup> and celebrated Grange Month with a candle light ceremony and honoring fourteen of their member's commitment to the Grange with a total of over 625 years of Grange membership.

State Master Susan Noah was on hand to help recognized those receiving certificates, seals and pins. Highlight of the evening was the awarding of a 75-year certificate to Wilma Guttridge.

Others receiving awards were: 65-year seal to Jean McCloskey; 55-year seal to Robert Misley; Golden

Sheaf to Don Kingsborough for 50 years of membership. Receiving 40-year seals were John & Angela Freese, Gary Guttridge, Joyce Parker, James Shibley and Don Smith and Silver Star certificates for 25-years of membership were given to Ruth Newman, Edwin Thoreson, Terry King and Christine Kammeyster.



Left: State Master Susan Noah presented Wilma Guttridge with her 75-year certificate and pin. She was escorted by her son Don Guttridge, AS; son Gary Guttridge, Steward and granddaughter Jessie Jo Guttridge LAS.



## Community Service Involvement

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Greetings,

State Convention is just around the corner. As of date (5/19) I have received 44 - 2018 Annual Community Service/Involvement Reports. Thank you to those Granges that have submitted so far. And with 44 we have met the minimum to receive award money for the top placers from National Grange. I am looking forward to seeing your 2018 Annual Community Service/Involvement notebooks at convention.

I have tallied the hours that Grangers and non-grangers have put diligently into their Community For Grangers: 64,308 hours

For non-grangers: 18,939 hours. That is a total of **83,247 hours**

Here's a summary of what was in the reports. Hopefully you can see what other Granges are doing and get some ideas on how you can help improve your Community and make your Grange more visible.

### Fundraising for Community Service Projects

Provide free space for other Service Organizations; Pancake Breakfasts; Dinners; Food Booths; BBQ Chicken Feed; Bingo; Bazaars; Flea Markets; Community Fairs; Plant and Yard Art Sale; Farmers Market; Mystery Theater; Open House; Rummage Sale.

### Publicity

Via Facebook, Website, Next Door,

Local newspapers; Reader Board; Flyers; Posters; Area Chamber of Commerce; Grange e-mail lists; word of mouth; Hand Painted Signs; Grange Bulletin; Radio; TV Community Calendar; Craig's List.

### Benefit to the Local Community

Boy and Girl Scout Troupes; 4-H; Words for Third-Dictionary; Community Christmas Dinner; Disaster Preparedness; Community Health Support; Comfort Items for the Homeless; Local non-profit Group for Care to Cancer patients; Creating Safe Social Fun and Entertaining Events; Senior Meal; Beautification of Public Building; Dogs for Better Lives; Special Ed Schools; Food Baskets; Youth Groups; Legacy Project Supporting Veterans; Memorials; Scholarships; Garden Club; Museums; partnership with local Charter/Community Schools; Road Clean Up; Free Movie and Game Night; Women's Space; Food Pantry; Road Clean Up; Farm Expos; Quilts and Pajamas for Abused and Needy Children; AED.

Remember to nominate your local Law Enforcement Officer, Firefighter and Teacher for this Year's Awards and later this summer also nominate a youth or young adult member for the Youth Community Service Award. Its deadline is August 15 to the state Youth/Young Adults Director.

Hope to see a lot of you at State Session in Molalla High School.

## Sewers, Knitters, Meet at Hurricane Creek



About four years ago Hurricane Creek Grange voted to open their hall for sewers as a community service program. They do not

charge for this community get together and many new people in the community find friendship and camaraderie within the hall walls. The Grange has recruited new members from this group because people that attend like that they are dedicated to serving the community, filling needs that are not being met otherwise.



There are knitters, sewers, quilters, artists and people that just come and participate in the Wednesday potlucks. Every Wednesday is a day to get together and share ideas and thoughts. If you are in Wallowa County on a Wednesday about noon, stop in and share in a great potluck and meet some really fine people.

Above: Bev Hayward, who lives down the street from Hurricane Creek Grange and recently retired from Wallowa Memorial Hospital, fills part of her time at the Grange on Wednesdays.

## Communications Team

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### National Grange Invites Granges to Enter Their Public Relations Work

The National Grange has developed a Public Relations Contest. The goal of the contest is to recognize the public relations work being done by Granges across the country and to share this work with other Granges with the intent of fostering more public relations efforts. The ability of the Granges, at every level, to successfully promote specific events or the Grange as a whole is necessary and important. The more Grange public relations occurring within our communities, the better!

#### RULES

- A. The National Grange Public Relations Contest is open to all Granges (State, Pomona, Community, Junior), Grange committees or Grange groups (i.e., auxiliary, youth, Junior 1+).
- B. A Public Relations item may be a flyer, poster or advertisement; a short video; a radio commercial or announcement; a social media post; a press kit or media release; a shirt, button or other wearable item; or anything else you create to promote Grange.
- C. All contest entries must be received electronically as an audio or video file or as a .pdf or .jpg file by the National Grange Lecturer by October 31, 2019. Send entries to: [lecturer@nationalgrange.org](mailto:lecturer@nationalgrange.org).
- D. Any entries received after the deadline will not be judged.

However, all entries received will be electronically exhibited at the 153<sup>rd</sup> National Grange convention in Minneapolis.

- E. There are two (2) divisions:
  - Created by a professional (paid or in-kind).
  - Created in-house (without professional assistance).
- F. There is no limit on the number of Public Relations items that can be submitted by any Grange, Grange committee or Grange group. Each item will need a short explanation of how it was used.
- G. If your Public Relations item is wearable please take a photo/s of the item and submit the photo/s.
- H. All entries will be shared by the National Grange with State, local and Junior Granges across the country.
- I. A 2019 National Grange Public Relations Contest Entry Form must be completed for each Public Relations item submitted. This form is available on the Oregon State Grange website.

#### PRIZES

Monetary prizes will be awarded in each division:

- 1<sup>st</sup> - \$200
- 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$100
- 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$50
- 4<sup>th</sup> - \$25

### Wi-Fi Arrives at Grange Hall

Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Wallowa County, now offers WI-FI connections at the Grange hall. Many of the training classes held at the hall have stated that it would indeed be a great benefit to them to have WI-FI available.

Hurricane Creek Grange opted to use Wallowa Valley Networks to provide this service for their members and customers. It is a local network that has been around for about eight years and continues to expand and have reliable service.

They are starting with 20 megabytes speed and think that this will be fast enough for everyone's use.

Possibly as this service is now available, word will spread and more use of the hall will be a natural extension. It will be a nice feature to archive records and maybe not store some of current and past history in members' homes and computers. It is a win-win for the community and the Grange. Grange members are always taking care of now and looking to the future.

### Columbia Grange Plans Float for Fourth of July Parade

Columbia Grange #267, Multnomah County is making plans for a float in the 4th of July parade, a part of the Corbett Fun Festival. The Grange is getting t-shirts made in time for the parade and will have two or three tractors, and a bubble machine as part of their entry.

The parade starts with the Car Cruise at 10am following along the two mile route from Springdale to Corbett. The Historic Columbia River Highway closes from Stark Street to the Corbett Hill road off Hwy 84 at 9:30am. The roads will re-open at or around noon – or after the cruise and parade.

### Think Too Much: Let's Talk About Being Neighbors

By Mike McNally, Managing Editor, Democrat Herald. Published March 24, 2019

I live in a part of the mid-valley that is covered by Nextdoor, the social media network for neighborhoods, and the various postings by my neighbors offer a snapshot of what's going on — lost (and found) pets, dishwashers to give away, people looking for babysitters, that sort of business.

Last week, though, I was struck by an invitation posted on Nextdoor by the Marys River Grange, just outside of Philomath. The Grange has elected to host three separate sessions of The Conversation Project, the intriguing program run by Oregon Humanities in which people gather to discuss important ideas and issues. The Conversation Project offers many different programs run by facilitators, and from that menu, here was the first one that the Grange was offering: "Won't You Be My Neighbor? How Relationships Affect the Places We Live."

I had two different reactions: First, I thought, this is a fascinating topic. And then I thought this: Wait. Isn't the Grange all about being neighborly in the first place? After all, the National Grange, now more than 150 years old, was originally founded to promote the economic and political well-being of the community and agriculture. Grange halls, still scattered around the nation, have served as community gathering places for generations; they are veritable symbols of neighborhood.

That's kind of what Karin Bolender thought as well. Bolender, a relatively new member of the Marys River Grange, serves as the Grange's co-lecturer, the position responsible for arranging for programs. She knew about The Conversation Project (she actually is the facilitator for another Conversation Project program, about how we live with animals) and knew that the Grange in Corbett had sponsored the "Neighbor" discussion.

Other Grange members were enthusiastic about The Conversation Project, so Bolender took the menu of offerings (the full list is dizzying), and narrowed it down to a list of 10 for consideration. The "Neighbor" session rose to the top, along with two other sessions: "Good Food, Bad Food: Agriculture, Ethics and Personal Choice," scheduled for May, and "Beyond Invitation: How Do We Create Inclusive Communities?" scheduled for June. So, the members of the Marys River Grange (and other interested souls) sat down for conversations about important issues beginning April 11.

Facilitators of these Conversation Project discussions pitch specific programs to Oregon Humanities; if a proposal makes the grade, the facilitators receive training designed, in part, to ensure that facilitators don't give in to "the tendency to come in and expound" on their topic, Bolender said. Instead, the goal is to guide the conversation, to create a safe place for diverse viewpoints.

The facilitator of "Won't You Be My Neighbor?" is Jen Mitas, who comes by her interest in neighborhoods naturally: She's lived in more than 40 places in her adult life and "now I've settled in east Portland, in what looks like a classic suburb." So, she's had plenty of opportunities to think about neighborhoods. Some neighborhoods are vibrant places. Others are, for all intents and purposes, places where people go at night to sleep. And recently, there has been a tendency, she noted, for people to "disinvest themselves from neighborly relationships" in favor of other relationships — online groups with shared interests, for example.

When Mitas leads the "Neighbor" conversation, she said, some themes often emerge that suggest a hunger for more traditional neighborhood connections: For example, she might ask participants what they want their neighbors to know about them. Here's a common answer: "I want my neighbors to know that I want to be neighborly." But that can lead to a tougher question: "Why don't they know that about you?" The conversations that result sometimes cut deep: "I'm constantly surprised by people's willingness to speak about their personal experiences," Mitas said. "I've been really surprised by people's willingness to do that with strangers."

"And that gets to the heart of what The Conversation Project aims to do, Bolender said: "It really is such a rare gift to be able to sit in a room with a group of people and just think and talk together."

For more information about The Conversation Project and how your group can host one of the sessions, go to this website: <http://oregonhumanities.org/programs/conversation-project/>

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*The dogs had a good time in the "The Good Ship Lolly PUP" Canine Versatility Game at Elmira Grange.*

## Dog Friendly Community Service Projects

On March 30<sup>th</sup> Elmira Grange #523, Lane County, hosted "The Good Ship Lolly PUP," a game day for training service dogs as well as Canine Versatility Game participants.

Pam Veelle, Macleay Grange #293, Marion County, brought her dog who is part of Macleay Grange's community service project of training service dogs to join Elmira's community service project, the Canine Versatility Games.

These potential service dogs were very young, some only a few months old, and for them this event was their very first field trip.

## Join the Grange Amateur Radio Emergency Network

When disaster strikes, cell phones go down. This was seen in the recent Snowpocalypse, when even the town of Lowell was out of cell phone service for almost a week, and out of power for five days. Instant communication is essential, but it is almost never available when it's really needed.

Amateur Radio is the go-to, stand-alone communications network when cell phones go down, and when a disaster occurs. For over 75 years, amateurs have stepped up to the task of providing life-saving communications for disaster areas worldwide, and thousands of lives have been saved because word could get out on radio systems.

Amateur Radio is an ideal communications system for Granges and their members. Rural communications during emergencies is essential, and Grange members are perfect for becoming a resource and connection for the community around them. Stuck because of snow or flood or fires? Need a snow plow or chainsaw down the road, but can't call with a phone? No problem! Just call for it on the radio!

A person needs to get trained and

This is Elmira Grange's third Canine Versatility Game day designed by member, Laura Wyant. Richard (Dick) Wyant an Irving Grange member, helped with the construction of the designs, as well as helping manage the three events.

"The Good Ship Lolly PUP" design contained fifteen skills for the dogs to perform. The challenges included a few selections from various dog sports such as: obedience, rally, tricks, and agility. It also included "mice abandoning the ship" from the dog sport of Barn Hunt. The day was open to the public for dog/handler teams.

licensed to operate an Amateur Radio and become a HAM. Licensing is only \$1, and free training can be done over a weekend. They get a unique callsign, and an official FCC license. They can then operate a radio on certain frequencies allocated to amateurs for use, and be part of the Amateur Radio Emergency Network.

Lowell Grange #745, Lane County, asked the County Sheriff Search and Rescue Amateur Radio Operators to be part of the network, as well, so they have direct access to officials for assistance and information during a natural disaster. But members of a community can't solely rely on the authorities to help them. They need to be able to help themselves and their neighbors, especially in rural areas. They need a radio communication network that works when all other communication is down.

For those who attended the Lowell Grange Open House on May 18, you saw a radio set up and got the opportunity to hear about amateur radio. For other Granges and Grange members interested in being part of the network or just for information, you may contact Sydney Singer at sydsinger@gmail.com.

## Deaf Awareness and Family Health

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Hello Sisters and Brothers

My name is Toni Hoyman and I am the very new Deaf Awareness and Family Health Director. I will be spending the next month or two reading materials from our state Master and past DAFH Directors to decide on a course of action for this next year. I will also be contacting people to join this committee as District Chairs to join in planning the Committee's focus and actions. If you are interested in helping please contact me.

You should expect to hear from me in each Oregon State Grange Bulletin with

updates on our activity and with information that is helpful and resourceful.

In the meantime, please feel free to contact me with any family health issues you would like to see this committee address, or you think would be helpful to our fellow patrons. I would like to especially invite anyone who knows American Sign Language to contact me as a resource or to join this committee. I look forward to working in this position to be a resource to all Grangers.

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## Second CuddleCot Fundraiser Raises \$20,900 For Seven More

April 13 Warner Grange #117, Clackamas County, pulled off another successful CuddleCot Fundraiser. Under the leadership of Community Service Chairman Maryssa Yager over 120 items were donated for both the silent and live auctions.

The evening started with hors d'oeuvres and the silent auction with tables closing every 15 minutes or so. Then it was time to go upstairs for dinner and the live auction. The

evening's auctions and earlier donations from Granges around the state raised \$20,900! Enough to buy seven cots and place them around Oregon.

Maryssa and Warner Grange say "Thank you so much for your continued support!" And watch Warner's Facebook page and upcoming issues of the Bulletin for stories on the placement of this round of CuddleCots.

Right: Because of donations from Granges around the state, Warner Grange was able to order one CuddleCot to have on display at the auction. CuddleCots are medical devices that act as an air-conditioned bassinet to allow grieving parents more time to spend with their stillborn baby and allow the baby to stay in the hospital room with the parents instead of having to be transported back and forth to the hospital's morgue.



*Above: Several different colored tables held silent auction items. The tables closed for bidding about every 15 minutes. People moved from table to table looking, and bidding, on items and some hovered near by to make sure they had the final bid.*





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## Annual Convention

### Oregon State Grange

June 22-27, 2019

**Molalla High School**  
**357 Frances Street**  
**Molalla, OR 97038**

#### 146th Oregon State Grange Convention Tours and Conferences

##### Friday, June 21

- 12:30pm Veterans Tour – meet transportation at the school – tour will go to the “Veterans Village”, a transitional housing complex for homeless veterans in Clackamas County that opened in October 2018. Several Clackamas County Granges along with the Pomona Grange have been involved in this venture.



##### Saturday, June 22

- 8:45am Ag Tour – Meet bus at the school at 8:45, bus leaves at 9:00 sharp. Tour will visit Hopkins Demonstration Forest, a 140-acre accessible example of sustainable forestry, which provides woodland products, fish and wildlife habitat, and experiential learning opportunities. Lunch will be provided at Hopkins before returning to the school.

##### Monday, June 24

- 7:30-8:45am Deaf Awareness/Family Health Conference – “Diabetes 2019” – Room 1E  
 6-7:30 pm Trade Show – Meet with the OSG Directors and see what each program offers. Materials and ideas to take back to your Grange – Library



##### Tuesday, June 25

- 7:30-8:30am Alcohol issues and the Grange. Recap of best rental practices - OSG Attorney – Nancy Murray – Room 1E  
 8:30-9:45am GWA Conference – Open to all members - Hands on workshop making a craft led by Sue Dumolt and Sally Clute. Cafeteria, dining area

##### Wednesday, June 26

- 7-8:45am Directors/State Master Conference – Room 1E  
 11am Floorwork demonstration & workshop – Opening/Closing - Gym







## Tentative Schedule ~ Oregon State Grange Convention

### “Grange Adventures - Molalla 2019”



#### Friday, June 21

Noon-5 pm Set up facility

12:30 pm Veterans Tour – meet transportation at the school.

Ken Humberston

Response by Overseer, Jay Sexton

Report of Division of Labor Committee

Notice of Proposed By-Law Changes and late resolutions

Introduction of Committee Chairmen

2020 Budget Committee Report

#### Saturday, June 22

8 am -1 pm Registration opens for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby outside of Gym

8:45 am Ag Tour – Meet bus at the school at 8:45, bus leaves at 9 sharp. Lunch will be provided.

10 am Rosebud Practice – Gym (*closed session*)

11 am Memorial-Worship Service Practice – Gym

1 pm Exemplification of the first four Degrees under the leadership of Jim Dumolt, Clarkes Grange – Gym

2 pm GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries accepted – Commons, display area

Junior talent, public speaking, and sign-a-song contestants must register in the Junior/Mat Room

Youth Public Speaking and Sign-A-Song contestants must register with the State Youth Director.

2-5 pm Registration Open – Lobby outside of Gym

4:30 pm Talent contestants meet with State Lecturer; Public Speaking and sign-a-song contestants meet with Youth Director – Gym

5:30 pm Kickoff Banquet – *All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion.* – Commons

7 pm Talent Show, Adult and Junior, Public Speaking and Sign-A-Song Contest – Gym  
Honor Grange awards  
Grange Baseball (trivia contest exhibition)  
Agriculturist of the Year award  
Community Service – Volunteer of the Year award

9 pm State Officers practice including Sixth Degree – Gym – closed to everyone except for the State Officers.

#### Sunday, June 23

7:30-8:30 am Youth Officers Practice – Gym

8 am-noon Registration of delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby outside of Gym

GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries accepted – Commons, display area

9 am Ceremonial opening in the 6<sup>th</sup> Degree (State Officers line up 8:45) (*then lowered to the 4<sup>th</sup> degree*) - Gym  
Roll Call  
First Report of Credentials Committee  
Adoption of the Official Program

9:30 am Introduction of Host Committee Chair – Joyce Parker  
Welcome by Molalla Mayor, Keith Swigart  
Welcome by Chairman of the Clackamas County Commissioners, Jim Bernard  
Welcome by Clackamas County Commissioner, Brother

11 am

State Master's Annual Address

Assignment of portions of Annual Address by Division of Labor Committee

State Master's Good of the Order Address

Assignment of portions of Good of the Order Address by Division of Labor Committee.

Closing in the Fourth Degree – OSG Overseer, Jay Sexton

Noon

GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries close and area will be closed for judging – Commons, display Area

12:30 pm

Foundation Luncheon - *All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. Annual meeting of Foundation follows lunch. Door Prizes* – Commons, dining area

2-4 pm

Registration Open – 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> degree tickets on sale until 30 minutes before Degree begins – Lobby outside of Gym

1:30 pm

\*\*\*New\*\*\* Orientation for Committee Chairs - Room 1E

2:15 pm

Orientation for all delegates.

New to the Convention? Come, ask questions, get involved, all delegates & non-delegates invited - Gym

3 pm

Session committee meetings – Commons, dining area  
Rosebud Practice – Gym

4 pm

5<sup>th</sup> Degree – District #4 – Gym

5:30-7:30 pm

Dinner break – *Enjoy the area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange*

6-7 pm

Registration Open – 6<sup>th</sup> degree tickets on sale until 30 minutes before Degree begins – Lobby outside of Gym

7:30 pm

6<sup>th</sup> Degree – Oregon State Grange Officers – Officers present by 7 pm – Gym

#### Monday, June 24

7:30-8:45 am

Deaf Awareness/Family Health Conference – “Diabetes 2019”– Room 1E

7:30-8:30 am

Youth Officers Practice – Gym

8 am-noon

Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby outside of Gym

9 am

Memorial and Worship Service, under the direction of Peggy Fine, State Chaplain – Gym

10:30 am

Opening in the Fourth Degree (State Officers line up 10:15) - Gym  
Roll Call  
Reading and adopting Sunday's Journal

11 am

GIA Chairman of the Board, D. Thomas McKern

Noon

Membership Luncheon – *All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. Membership awards will be presented.* – Commons, dining area

1:30 pm

Session reconvenes – Gym

1:30-5 pm

Registration Open – Lobby outside of Gym

## Tenative Schedule ~ 146th Oregon State Grange Convention *continued*

4 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Ed Luttrell, Clackamas County Pomona Master				<b>Wednesday, June 26</b> <b>Wear Green to Support our Youth!</b>
4-6 pm	Dinner break – <i>Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i>	7-8:45 am	Directors/State Master Conference – Room 1E		
		7 am	Youth Officers practice – Gym		
6-7:30 pm	Trade Show – Meet with the OSG Directors and see what each program offers. Materials and ideas to take back to your Grange – Library	8:30 am	Youth officer pictures		
7:30 pm	Come Together at the Grange Pep Rally and Celebration!! - Commons, dining area	8 am-noon	Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby outside the Gym		
	<b>Tuesday, June 25</b> <b>Wear Red Tennis Shoes to Support our Juniors!</b> <b>Red, White and Blue Day to Honor our Veterans</b>	9 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree by State Youth Officers (Line up 8:45) - Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Tuesday's Journal		
6:30-8 am	Grange Benefits Breakfast – Complimentary – Molalla Grange	11 am	Floorwork demonstration & workshop – Opening/Closing		
7:30-8:30	Youth Officers Practice – Gym	Noon	Youth Luncheon & "Goodie Basket" drawings - <i>All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion.</i> – Commons, dining area		
8 am-noon	Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby outside the Gym	1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Gym		
7:30-8:30 am	Alcohol issues and the Grange. Recap of best rental practices - OSG Attorney – Nancy Murray – Room 1E	1:30-5pm	Registration Open – Lobby outside the Gym		
8:30-9:45 am	GWA Conference – Open to all members - Hands on workshop making a craft led by Sue Dumolt and Sally Clute. Commons, dining area	2 pm	Recognition of Past State Officers and Directors - Gym		
10 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree (State Officers line up 9:45) – Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Monday's Journal	5-7 pm	Dinner break – <i>Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i> GROW Club No-Host Dinner – Molalla Grange, catered by Cindy's Café. Must sign up by Monday at noon at registration.		
	OSG Attorney – Nancy Murray	7 pm	Silent auction closes Oral auction Session reconvenes Resolutions		
10:30 am	Presentation by State Junior Grange, Presentation of Junior Obligation – Gym Resolutions	9 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree by State Deputy Carol Everman		
Noon	GWA Luncheon - <i>All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. GWA awards will be presented during luncheon.</i> – Commons, dining area		Entries in the GWA, Lecturers, Youth and Junior contests may be picked up following the closing.		
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Gym		<b>Thursday, June 27</b>		
1:30-5pm	Registration Open – Lobby outside of Gym	8 am-noon	Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby outside of Gym		
2:30 pm	Tribute to Grange Veterans – Gym				
5-7 pm	Dinner break – <i>Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i>	8 am	Pick up entries in the GWA, Lecturer, Youth and Junior contests – Commons, display area		
7 pm	Session Reconvenes – Gym	9 am	Opening in the 4 <sup>th</sup> Degree (State Officers line up 8:45 am) – Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Wednesday's Journal Resolutions continued		
9 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Joyce Parker, District #4 Hosting Chair	10:30 am	Thank you to District #4		
		11 am	Invitation by District #5 to visit in 2020		
		Noon	Lunch break - <i>Enjoy the area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i>		
		1:30 pm	All other unfinished business		
		4 pm	Closing in Fourth Degree – OSG Master, Susan Noah (or when finished)		

The drinking fountains in Molalla High School are water bottle refilling stations too.r filling water bottles.



See you next year in Klamath Falls!





# 146th Oregon State Grange Convention

## Tenative Youth & Young Adults Schedule - Supplement to main schedule



### Saturday, June 22

8am-1 pm	Adults get a youth ribbon when you register Sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Set up and accept donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>	8 am	Sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
11am	Registration for the Public Speaking Contest and Sign-a-Song at the youth table - Lobby	Noon	Close table for lunch
1 pm	Close table for lunch	1:30-4 pm	Registration Desk Opens, get a youth ribbon when you register – Lobby Sell notebooks, accept/Sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
2 pm – 5 pm	Registration opens for all in the Lobby. Get a youth ribbon when you register Sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>	1:30-4 pm	Workshop – Life skills 101
4:30 pm	Public Speaking & Sign-a-Song Contestants meet with State Youth Director for mic checks – Gym	4 pm	Close table for evening
5 pm	Close table for evening	6–7:30 pm	Trade Show – Library
5:30 pm	Kickoff Banquet - Dining Area. <i>State Youth Officers see the Youth Director for your pre-arranged tickets.</i>	7:30 pm	Come Together at the Grange – Dining Area
7 pm	Talent Show, Public Speaking, Sign-a-Song and Grange Baseball – Gym		

### Tuesday, June 25

***Wear Red Tennis Shoes to Support Our Juniors!  
Red, White and Blue Day to Honor our Veterans***

6:30-8:30 am	Grange Benefits Breakfast – Molalla Grange
7:30-8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Gym

### Sunday, June 23

7:30-8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Gym	8 am	Registration Desk Opens, <i>get a youth ribbon when you register</i> – Lobby Accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
8 am-noon	Registration Desk Opens, get a youth ribbon when you register - Lobby Sell notebooks, accept/Sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept & display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>	11 am	Community Service Project – assist with Food Kitchen
11:45 am	Get acquainted and instructions for the week, start Socks for Seniors	Noon	Close table for lunch
Noon	Close table for lunch	1:30-5pm	Registration Open – Lobby Accept/Sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
2-4 pm	Registration Open – 5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> degree tickets on sale until 30 minutes before Degree begins – Lobby Sell notebooks, accept and sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>	3 pm	Carwash, money to be donated to community service project.
2:15 pm	Orientation for delegates - Gym	5 pm	Close table for evening
3 pm	Session committee meetings ~ <i>the State Master is willing, and I am encouraging Youth to participate as Committee Members. Please speak with the Youth Director for more information, and to request the Committee or area that you are interested in if you are not already assigned to a committee as a delegate.</i>		
4 pm	5 <sup>th</sup> Degree – District 4 - Gym	7-8 am	Youth Officer Practice ~ LAST PRACTICE! - Gym
4 pm	Close table for dinner	8 am	Registration Desk Opens, <i>get a youth ribbon when you register</i> – Lobby Accept/Sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
6–7 pm	Registration Desk Opens, get a youth ribbon when you register – Lobby Sell notebooks, accept and sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>	8:30 am	Youth officer pictures ~ <i>be dressed, have sash and be ready for flowers</i>
7 pm	Close table for evening	9 am	Oregon State Grange Youth Open Session! YEA - Gym OSG Y&YA Director's report
7:30 pm	6 <sup>th</sup> Degree – Oregon State Grange Officers - Gym	Noon	Youth Luncheon and “Goodie Basket” drawings - <i>All members welcome with ticket - Dining Area - THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK</i>
		1:30-5 pm	Registration Desk Opens, <i>get a youth ribbon when you register</i> – Lobby Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
		5 pm	Close table for convention

### Wednesday, June 26

### Monday, June 24

7:30-8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Gym - Youth exit Gym promptly so Memorial team can set up	5:15-6:45 pm	GROW Club No-Host Dinner – Molalla Grange - Please sign up at the registration table by noon Monday.
8 am	Registration Desk Opens, get a youth ribbon when you register – Lobby		

### Thursday, June 27

8 am	Count <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i> donations – box up to send with District 4 Granges
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## 80th Oregon State Junior Grange Convention

### Tenative Schedule



*ALL CHILDREN ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHEN JUNIOR GRANGE IS NOT IN SESSION. It is requested that Juniors not bring electronic devices to session to minimize distractions. This includes phones and cameras. They DO NOT need to have money with them. We do provide snacks/refreshments. If the Junior has a special dietary need, let us know and we will accommodate. Juniors will spend significant time outdoors, so please have them dress accordingly. Swimsuits will be needed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday.*

#### SATURDAY June 22

**8 am – 12 pm** Juniors register at general registration. Several forms must be properly completed before Juniors can participate. Juniors do not pay Registration Fee **BUT must Register** in order to participate in the Junior Room.

**12:50 pm** **Junior Room OPEN** – Mat Room

**1 pm** Junior Grange meeting

**2 pm** Sign up for Junior talent contests - Mat Room  
Junior contest entries accepted - Display Area

**4:30 pm** Talent contestants meet with State Lecturer - Gym

**5 pm** **Junior Room CLOSED**  
Pick up your child(ren) no later than 5:10 pm

**5:30-7 pm** Kickoff Banquet. *All preregistered Juniors will have banquet tickets.*

**7 pm** Talent Show and Public Speaking Contest - Gym

#### SUNDAY June 23

**8am – 12 pm** General registration open - Lobby  
Junior contest entries accepted - Display Area

**8:50 am** **Junior Room OPEN**

**9 am** Junior Grange meeting.

**11 am** Field Trip to TMK Creamery in Canby. Picnic lunch prepared by Juniors.  
(Junior room closed during field trip.)

**Noon** Junior contest entries close for Judging - Display area

**3 pm** **Junior Room OPEN**

**5:20 pm** **Junior Room CLOSED**  
Break for dinner – Pick your child(ren) up no later than 5:25 pm

**7:20 pm** **Junior Room OPEN**  
View Rosebud Drill. Join family at close of 6<sup>th</sup> degree for Ice Cream

#### MONDAY June 24

**8:50 am** **Junior Room OPEN**

**9 am** Junior Grange meeting

**10:30 am** Snacks

**12 pm** **Junior Room CLOSED**  
Lunch – Pick-up your Juniors no later than 12:10

**1:25 pm** **Junior Room OPEN**

**2 pm** Swim at Molalla Aquatic Center

**4 pm** **Junior Room CLOSED**  
Break for dinner – Pick your child(ren) up no later than 4:05pm.

6 -7 pm

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

Visitors welcome to observe Junior activities during trade show.

7:30 pm

Juniors serving ice cream and dairy information at membership pep rally. Pick up your children from the Commons - dining area.

#### TUESDAY June 25

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

Junior Grange meeting

#### **Presentation with Junior Obligation - Gym**

#### **Junior Room CLOSED**

Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:05

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

Tribute to Grange Veterans - Gym

#### **Swim at Molalla Aquatic Center**

#### **Junior Room CLOSED**

Please pick up your child(ren) no later than 5:05

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

#### **Junior Room CLOSED**

Please pick up your child(ren) no later than 9:05

#### WEDNESDAY June 26

#### **Juniors attend youth opening with their families.**

*After the youth have finished the Juniors will be gathered to head to the Junior room.*

#### **Junior Grange meeting.**

#### **Junior Room CLOSED**

Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:05 pm

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

**Take the bus to Fox Park!** (Playground with splash pad.)

Return from Field Trip  
Free Time

#### **Junior Room CLOSED**

Dinner Break - Pick-up your Juniors no later than 5:10 pm

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

Snacks & Activities

**After the session please pick your child(ren) ASAP.**

#### THURSDAY June 27

#### **Junior Room OPEN**

Open Activities

#### **Junior Room CLOSED**

Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:10 pm

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING THE JUNIORS  
HAVE A SAFE TRIP HOME  
SEE YOU NEXT YEAR**



# 146th Oregon State Grange Convention



Join us for  
Grange Adventures  
Molalla '19

## Motels & RV Spaces

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

## Titles of Resolutions Assigned to Committees for State Convention

The Oregon State Grange met on Monday May 27<sup>th</sup>. Sixty-eight resolutions were submitted to the Oregon State Grange prior to the deadline by Subordinate/Community and Pomona Granges. They were reviewed and assigned to committees for consideration at the 2019 Oregon State Grange Convention in June. You will notice a few resolutions with titles the same as others. These are similar resolutions but are not worded exactly the same. Often a resolution adopted by a Subordinate/Community Grange is sent on to a Pomona Grange or other Subordinate Grange and words are change before they adopt it.

### Agriculture

Ban Use of Chlorpyrifos in Oregon  
Create a GMO-Free Agricultural District for Rogue Valley  
Create Accountability for Genetically Engineered Cross Contamination  
Develop a National Education Program About Organic Products  
End Patents that Allow Alteration & Ownership of Natural Life  
Industrial Hemp  
Prevent Neonicotinoids from Contaminating Water Sources  
Prohibit Aerial Herbicide Spraying on State-Owned Forest Lands  
Recognition by Washington County Fair

### Financial Affairs & Insurance

Oppose Mileage Tax  
Re-institute a Mutual Insurance Company  
Renew No Sales Tax Position

### Good of the Order

Grange Hall and Property Ownership  
Handicap Accessible Doors  
Incorporate Indigenous Wisdom in Current Practices  
Licensed Certified Kitchens to Support Farmers  
Membership Status  
OPB Documentary  
Reaffirm non-discrimination and non-partisanship  
Zero waste

### By-Laws

Bylaw Change – Section 7 Alcoholic Beverages  
Junior Life Membership Fund  
Junior Life Membership Fund  
Term Limitation for Some Oregon State Grange Offices  
Term Limits for Grange Offices  
Term Limits for Some offices in the Oregon State Grange

### Grange Programs & Bulletin

Log Cabin Fundraising  
Revive Oregon State Junior Camp

### Legislation

Amend Constitution to Reverse Citizens United Decision  
Court Appointed Child Advocate  
Harsher Punishments for Malicious Accusations of Sexual Crimes  
Oppose and Encourage Repeal of Sanctuary Status  
Oppose Any Legislation for All Forms of the Green New Deal  
Oppose Any Legislation for Free Housing/ Heavily Subsidized Housing  
Oppose Any Legislation for Free Jobs  
Oppose Any Legislation for Reparations  
Oppose Any Legislation for Universal Basic Income/ Guaranteed Income  
Oppose Legislation Allowing Prisoners to Vote  
Oppose Legislation Barring Candidates from Ballots for Not Releasing Tax Returns  
Oppose Lowering Voting Age  
Prohibit Use of Glyphosate on Public Properties in Oregon  
Student Agriculture Protection Act  
Support Creation of an Oregon Green New Deal  
Support Josephine County Resolution to Ban GMO Crops, Seeds, and Trees

### Education & Health

Advocate for Ban on Direct to Consumer Marketing for Medication  
Agriculture in the Schools  
Mandatory Immunization for K-12 School Attendance  
Oppose Any Legislation for Free College for All  
Oppose Any Legislation for Free Universal Child Care  
Oppose Any Legislation for Medicare for All  
Parent Choice  
Require Prescription Bottle Label have large print purpose and drug name  
Support of Evidence-Based Efforts to Provide Health Care to all Oregon

### Transportation & Utilities

Advocate for Rural broadband  
Emergency Preparedness  
Highway Worker Safety  
Inform Public about adverse health effects from Electromagnetic Fields (EMFs)  
Reaffirm Support of Open Range Law  
  
**Veterans**  
Veterans Anti-Discrimination  
Veterans to Farm

## Fairview Grange Makes The News

Fairview Grange #273, Tillamook County, was awarded a Tillamook PUD Board Community Support Grant. Each year, the PUD Board of Directors budget funds to go towards the Community Support Grant program. This year, a total of 28 grant applications were submitted, the most received since 2012. This made the selection decision challenging once again for the Board, as there were many important community projects presented. Receiving one of the grants was Fairview Grange to upgrade the lighting and heating system at the Grange hall.

In addition to the grant they were featured on the front page of the April Tillamook PUD Ruralite



magazine and a several page story inside which the OSG has permission to reprint.

## Fairview Grange Finds New Life

*Group revives spirit of community; music and dance return*  
By Denise Porter

For a century, Tillamook County's oldest Grange was a community hot spot for live music, dances, socials and meetings. When it was built in 1916, Fairview Grange Hall burgeoned with activity and membership.

Time marched forward and the digital era blossomed. Five years ago, the Fairview Grange was on the verge of collapse due to a lack of membership. The once busy dance hall became an empty, echoing reminder of a bygone era.

Today, music again fills the building, and the Grange's leadership team is redefining what a modern-day Grange hall can be for the community. "That building definitely has a spirit and an energy about it," says Eric Sappington, the Grange's current leader. "It wants to stay alive."

Eric recalls the day his personal Grange journey began. He was walking down Tillamook's Second Street five years ago when his friend, Shelly Bowe, stopped to visit with him. Shelly was the founder of Food Roots, —a local organization dedicated to teaching gardening and small acreage farming.

Shelly's job was to connect farmers and community members. Her dream was to create a vibrant local food scene. That day she had something on her mind. "I was literally walking down Second Street and she was like, 'Hey, would you be interested in coming to the Grange for a meeting? We need to save this building and group,'" Eric says.

As Shelly talked, Eric listened. "Where is the Grange and what are you talking about?" he asked her. Eric was not a farmer. At the time, he had no idea what Shelly meant when she spoke of "the Grange." Eric has since learned the National

Grange was created in 1867. Local Granges were fraternal and sometimes acted as a sort of union to speak for farmers.

Shelly knew Eric was both a carpenter and a musician, and that he was interested in growing the local art and entertainment scene. The Grange building had a beautiful old stage—engineered 100 years ago—and the acoustics were from a time before electronic improvements.

The state Grange association was going to revoke the Fairview Grange Charter due to lack of membership. Shelly and a small group of enthusiasts wanted to keep the building alive. "She said, 'It can't be torn down and made into a parking lot. Just show up, please.'"

Eric found himself at the meeting—and got more than he bargained for. "When I walked in and saw the stage and dance hall and that room, I think that was the big draw for me," he recalls. "I remember thinking, 'This is going to be a great space for open mics, puppet shows, for theater—for the community to gather.'"

About 30 community members arrived for the meeting, and when it was finished, the Fairview Grange had enough members to retain its charter.

"Walking in and seeing that place and the historical aspect of it, I got a really good energy off of that place—a really positive energy," Eric remembers. "I thought, 'This place is something special.' I was around all of these great people. We all were just kind of like, 'we have to do this.' I felt like the community needed it. It was going to take a lot of work."

The group took stock of the building and determined a course of action

## Clackamas Pomona Celebrates Grange Month

Members of Clackamas County Pomona Grange, Ed Luttrell, Don Kingsborough, Gertrude Thompson, Dick and Annette Wanker were present at Clackamas County Board of Commissioners meeting on April 4 as Ken Humberston read the proclamation declaring April as National Grange Month.



## Grange Day at the Seattle Mariners

The Washington State Grange invites Grangers from Oregon to join them Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at T-Mobile Park in Seattle as the Mariners take on the Detroit Tigers. Let's go cheer on the Mariners.

# GO MARINERS!

**Washington State Grange**  
@ T-Mobile Park

**JULY 25, 2019**  
7:10 pm

MITCH HANIGER

To order tickets, fill out the form below and return it to the office or Mail to: PO Box 1186, Olympia, WA 98507-1186  
**Deadline to order is July 5, 2019 | Questions? Contact Sophie at 360-943-9911 or [sophie@wsgrange.org](mailto:sophie@wsgrange.org)**

**CLAMP DATE:** Thursday, July 25th, 2019  
7:10 pm  
MAIN level seats for \$30.00

**Detroit Tigers vs. Mariners**

- Bring out your family and friends and join the Grange at T-Mobile Park to watch some exciting Major League Baseball action.
- We have a large block of seats reserved for the game, so order your seats now and join us for some fun at the ballpark.
- Third base line, Section 137, Rows 34-38

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**WASHINGTON STATE GRANGE - JULY 25TH, 2019**  
Deadline to Order: July 5th

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# of Reserved Seats \_\_\_\_\_ @ \$30.00 = \_\_\_\_\_

If you would like to sit with another family, please place one order for the entire group.

Total Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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for its future. Of top priority was to clean and restore the building and make it a place where people could gather in fellowship.

Eric led the charge, with the help of his friend Neal Lemery, also a Grange member, other members and numerous local community partners. In four years, the Grange has new paint and windows, and has been thoroughly cleaned. "Now it's finally getting back on track," Eric says with a laugh. "It is clean; it doesn't stink."

The large kitchen is looking good, Eric says with pride. The building is again available as a rental space for community gatherings.

The group is looking for ways to generate funds for improved heating and elec-

trical work, including by reinstating one of the most cherished Grange activities: live music and local food.

A popular Grange event is Soup and Salad Supper, where community members gather for food and fellowship. The first Saturday of the month the Grange hosts an open mic for area musicians. Last month, 15 musicians performed for an appreciative crowd. The talent includes teenagers—and Eric is happy to see that.

He says the Grange is slowly and steadily beginning to shine with a new glory. It's a welcoming place for the community. "For me, this journey, it's all about community," Eric says. "The Grange is about getting to know the people here and all walks of life."





## The Education Committee

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The Lane County Fair will be July 24 through 28 at the Fairgrounds in Eugene. **Wednesday, July 24 is Grange Day.** Grangers can get in at a reduced rate by presenting the coupon below at the ticket booth when purchasing tickets. This is good only on **Wednesday, July 24th.** Copies of the coupon will not be acceptable. Please cut the coupon out of the Grange Bulletin and save it for July 24.



On **Grange Day** the Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair will sponsor a Veggie & Fruit Dress Up Contest. All contestants (age 10 years and younger) who have a Dress Up Veggie or Fruit will get in FREE up to 1:00 pm on **Grange Day (July 24)**.

## Contest Rules

- A. Contestants must be 10 years or younger. One Entry per person. Contestant will get in FREE on Wednesday until 1:00 pm if they bring in a dressed-up fruit or vegetable.
- B. The Contestants will be divided into four Categories according to age:
  - Category 1: 2, 3, and 4
  - Category 2: 5 and 6
  - Category 3: 7 and 8
  - Category 4: 9 and 10
- C. The Entries must be submitted between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on **Wednesday, July 24.**
- D. The Entries must be submitted at the Grange area inside of the Wheeler Pavilion (the building West of the Main Fair entrance off of 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue.)
- E. The judging will be conducted by three Pomona Grange members.
- F. The Judging will be based on such attributes as originality, imagination, presentation, and appearance.
- G. Winners will be posted Wednesday, July 24 by 3:30 pm in the Grange area.
- H. The top three winners in each category will receive the following:
  - First Place Winners: \$25 plus a season pass to the Fair.
  - Second Place Winners: \$15 plus a two-day pass to the Fair.
  - Third Place Winners: \$10 plus a one-day pass to the Fair.

Each entry will receive a Participation Ribbons and several Honor  
Mention Ribbons will be given out in each category.

Please come join us and bring your Dress-Up Veggie or Fruit. Cookies, punch, and coffee will be served.



## Goshen Holds Annual Pie Auction

Goshen Grange # 561, Lane County, held their annual Pie Auction on Saturday, March 30. This was the 4th Annual Pie Auction for Goshen Grange. Pie Auction monies support the community service projects that Goshen Grange participates in, for example, supporting veterans, supporting the homeless, supporting elementary schools and Christmas Shoeboxes for children around the world.

Music for our event was provided by Bruce McLennon, a Goshen Grange member, before the auction started. Thirty-seven pies were auctioned off. Coffee and a selection of pies were served to everyone attending the auction.



Greetings!

This year seems to be flying by! Won't be long until Oregon State Grange Convention in Mollalla! This year the Oregon State Grange became sponsors of Ag in the Classroom. I want to thank all the Granges that participated this year either by offering their Grange for training sessions or by participating in the Literacy Project. We will again be working with this worthwhile program this coming year. We will have information at the Trade Show at Convention on how your Grange can become involved.

There is more great news out of Klamath County. Merrill Elementary has partnered with Lost River

Junior-Senior High FFA to hatch chicks in Laci Teater's first grade class. Also participating is Malin, two classes at Shasta Elementary and two classes at Bonanza Junior-Senior High School. The students kept journals on the progress of the chicks. Imagine the excitement when the eggs started to crack and the little chicks emerged. The chicks will eventually go into the general population of Lost River Junior-Senior High Coop when the chicks are old enough usually in 12-14 weeks. What a learning experience. Hands on learning is great. Which reminds me of a quote by Benjamin Franklin "Tell and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."

See you at State Convention.



*The crowd enjoyed a wonderful prime rib dinner and an auction of fabulous items which raised funds for Lane Pomona's Scholarship fund.*

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Lane Pomona Grange held their annual Prime Rib Dinner on March 16th. Attendance was down a bit due the change of date from a snowy February, but all present enjoyed the meal hosted by Dorena Grange #835. This dinner is a fundraiser for Lane Pomona's Scholarship fund. Profits from the dinner, including the raffle and donations netted over \$3,000.

Martin McClure, Lane Pomona Grange Master, Louise McClure, Patrick Dearth, and Cecil Parsons, all from Creswell Grange and Carolin Pettit and Loreen Huffman from Dorena Grange, decorated and set up for the meal. Chef Mark Noah worked his magic with the help of his kitchen crew. Patrick Dearth worked hard to gather items for the auction and raffle. Creswell member; Dan McGowan did an exceptional job as an auctioneer! Attendees really enjoyed the auction!

Lane Pomona Grange offers a \$1,000 scholarship for a deserving college or vocational student, second year or beyond, enrolled in six units or more, who is a member of, or the

child or grandchild of a member of a Lane County Subordinate/Community Grange or of any Lane Pomona Subordinate Grange. The Pomona also offers two (2) \$500 scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are involved in FFA and/or 4-H. You can get more information on this scholarship at the Lane Pomona Facebook page or the Oregon State Grange website.



*Lane Pomona Secretary and Chef Mark Noah preps the prime rib.*



Malcolm Trupp, President

The annual meeting of the Oregon State Grange Foundation will be on Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> at the Oregon State Grange Annual Convention at the Molalla High School in Molalla. Please plan to attend. We will be electing a trustee from District #3. You are welcome to attend and vote even if you did not purchase a meal ticket.

This will also be the second year that we will be awarding a member or two a \$25 award from the GASS (Grangers Attending State Session) Fund. These will be drawn at the annual meeting on Sunday.

We will also be giving awards to the winners of the "Muzzy" Mandel Memorial Scholarship and the Mary Helen Sauter Ramm Memorial Scholarship.

The Foundation urges members to continue to participate in the Fred Meyer Community Rewards program and the Amazon Smile program. The Foundation benefits from your participation. If you are

not already signed up for these programs, a Foundation board member will help you sign up at the Foundation table.

Also remember that the Foundation provides up to \$200 for registration for a Junior to attend a Junior Grange camp.

We will have available application forms for members to receive a reimbursement up to \$500 for hearing related expenses from the Kitty Thomas Hearing Impaired Fund. These will be reviewed and approved at Foundation's quarterly meetings.

We encourage you and your Grange to donate to the Foundation. These funds will help us to continue these programs and add more to benefit our members.

We will have more at the annual meeting on Sunday. Hope to see you and have a safe travel to State Grange Session.

## Shopping Rewards Benefit the Oregon State Grange Foundation

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You shop. Amazon gives.

### 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/](http://www.fredmeyer.com/account/communityrewards/)

Add/update the Community Organization on your account information page to Oregon State Grange Foundation - FM650



## Kinton Grange Annual Rummage Sale

Friday June 14th & Saturday June 15th

9 AM - 3 PM



Tons of Treasures and a Plant Sale Too!

19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd. Beaverton

## GWA

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The Oregon State Grange Convention is fast approaching. The Convention is June 22-27 at Molalla High School. I enjoy this time of year to meet new members and get new ideas and to see our Grange family. Convention is a time of business as well as learning and having fun. I hope you all have looked through the Awards, Contests, and Scholarship booklet and are entering items in the GWA Contests. GWA contests entry time will run smoothly if your form is filled out before coming to convention. There is an entry form in the Awards, Contests and Scholarship booklet and on the Oregon State Grange web page under GWA or on the form area of the website.

Tuesday June 25th will be the GWA conference. We will be making something in honor of the Grange Youth program. Tuesday is also the GWA luncheon.

I would like to thank those sponsors

who mailed in their contest money by May 1st. Any sponsor who has not paid please send your money to the Oregon State Grange, 643 Union St. NE, Salem, Or 97301-2462. Be sure to indicate which contest you are paying for, thank you.

It is not too soon to be thinking about if you or your Grange will continue your contest or want to sponsor a new contest. Please let me or one of the District Chairmen know. We are still in need of a District #5 chairman. Let me know if you are interested or know someone who would like to participate in this program.

Summer can be the perfect time to finish a project that has been started and now needs nicer weather to complete. Have a summer party in celebration of finishing the project. Grangers are always ready to have a party.

June is National Safety month.  
July is Picnic month.

## Lane Pomona High Tea A Lot of Fun!

May 5th was Lane Pomona GWA's High Tea, Cinco de Mayo style at Creswell Grange. About twenty Grangers enjoyed "Coming Together at The Grange." Creswell Grange members did a great job hosting! Thank you, Linda Wetzel, Peggy Jillson, Dottie Jennings, and Louise McClure, for your hard work.

Prizes were awarded to;  
Loreen Huffman - Best Sweet Dessert for her Jell-O Poke Cake  
Dottie Jennings - Best Relish Plate  
Marne Nelson - Best Tea Cup  
Patrick Dearth - Best Decorated Sombrero  
Carolin Pettit - Best Carmen Miranda Hat

The High Tea is a nice way for Grangers to get together, socialize and get to know each other in a different setting.



Above: Peggy Jillson awarding Loreen Huffman her prize for the Best Sweet Dessert



Patrick Dearth won the award for Best Decorated Sombrero.



Below: Marne Nelson received the award for Best Tea Cup from Peggy Jillson







Marys River Junior members Phoebe Coen, Wyatt Coen, and Makiah Woo potted starts to help prepare for the plant sale that was held on April 27th.

## Juniors Help Prepare for Plant Sale

Several Junior 1+ members of Marys River Grange # 685, Benton County, worked on transplanting seedling into pots for the inaugural Plant Sale and Seed Swap held on April 27. The Plant Sale and Seed Swap benefitted Philomath Community Services.

Several Grangers and Grange farms contributed to the event and some of the seed provided by Winona Grange #271 was given away to all who attended. Several local gardeners came by and swapped plants and or seeds, introducing new varieties to the event. Marys River Grange fence will hopefully host hardy kiwis in years to come.

Grange members answered questions about plant needs, soil condition and plant identification among other questions fielded by visitors. They were visited by the coordinator of Lupe's Community Garden, who wanted to purchase some starts for the Community Garden, but was instead informed that all the leftover plants were being donated, as well as all the remaining seeds from trade and provided by Winona Grange.

In addition, \$100 was earned for the Community Garden and another \$188 for the Philomath Food Bank, both projects of Philomath Community Services.

## Junior Grangers Spearheading Campaign for Kelley Farm

By Samantha Wilkins, National Junior Director

Most people know that Grange founder Oliver Hudson Kelley's Farm has been preserved, allowing generations to learn about farming in the 1860s. However, many don't know the cost associated with the care of the animals on the farm. Just the cost of grain to feed the animals adds up. Raising a pig from birth to finish and a lamb birth to yearling is \$150 each, but care for an ox for the year is \$1,000! A cow is just a bit less to feed at \$900 per year but double that and you get what it takes to feed a horse for the year - \$1,800!

This year as Grangers prepare to spend November in Minnesota for the Annual National Grange Convention and visit the Kelley Farm as part of the experience, Juniors are spearheading a project to raise funds to care for the animals at the

farm - an early glimpse into what it takes to be a good Patron of Husbandry.

Please consider a donation to the Grange Foundation's Kelley Farm Fund. Checks may be made payable to Grange Foundation, 1616 H St NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC 20006. Make sure to indicate it for the Kelley Farm Fund in the memo line. A donation form and full details are available at <https://www.nationaljuniorgrange.org/kelley-farmproject/>.

This year at state convention Oregon Juniors will be raising funds for the Kelley Farm. So if you are attending the Convention later this month, keep your eyes open for opportunities to support our Juniors in this effort.



## Oregon Junior Grangers

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## Juniors at State Convention – Come for a Day or Come Every Day!

It's been a spectacularly fun grandparenting experience to go somewhere new every year right after school lets out for the summer. Oregon is a huge, beautiful state to explore, so even the travel back and forth has been interesting when seen through a child's eyes. Just like the grownup side, the Junior convention program brings together friends who maybe haven't seen each other since last June. My goal is for all the children who participate at the convention to go home with great memories of their days at Molalla.

In a nutshell, we're providing child care during the convention sessions and degree work. It's a chance for youngsters to see and learn some Grange ritual that they don't see often, and then to share what they've learned with a very appreciative audience. Here are a few ideas to add to the fun:

Check out the contests in the Awards, Contests, and Scholarships booklet. Can your Junior bring any baking, sewing, or art/craft contest entries? Could they tell a one-minute story to a live audience? And brush up on Minecraft because there will be an ongoing contest at the convention.

**Don't forget swimsuits!** There's a pool right across the street from Molalla High School, and we intend to enjoy it on multiple days.

Every year we are honored to have Grange members visit the Junior room to teach a craft or share a musical or athletic talent. It's often the highlight of our day. If we can facilitate with materials or set aside a time for your visit, just let me know, now or when you arrive at the convention.

We'll be visiting a dairy on Sunday around lunchtime, so we're planning to take a picnic with us to make the time slot work. We'll be back from the field trip in time to open the Junior room for those arriving to participate in the degrees.

Due to the number of very young Juniors expected this year, we will not exemplify the Junior Degree. This means that it's even easier for a Junior to attend only one or two days of the convention. We do expect to open and close Junior Grange in form every day in the Junior room, and the Junior Obligation Ceremony will be performed on the convention floor. Our 2019 Juniors will be even more ready to welcome new members to their Granges at home.

## Junior Grangers at Ag Fest



Above: Irving's Junior member Aislin McClain along her grandmother Peggy Jillson, assisting visitors at Ag Fest.



Right: Junior member Brody Bloomer and his mom Staci Bloomer of Macleay Grange #293 helping out at Ag Fest.



## Legislative Update

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Oregon's full legislative session occurs in odd numbered years. The full session is scheduled for 160 days by law and expires on June 30 each year but can be extended. The longest, in 2003, adjourned on August 27 after 227 days.

The 2019 Oregon legislative session seems to be about average, with 2,749 bills introduced so far, and procedural deadlines leave little if any room for late additions to that total. So far the House has passed 332 measures, the senate has passed 484, and 185 have been signed into law by Governor Kate Brown. Any policy measures that had not been acted on by committee as of March 29 this year died in committee, excepting Ways & Means and Revenue measures, but that still leaves a lot of bills that did move out of their committee and are still in the process.

All in all, it has been a typically busy legislative season in Salem and as we prepare for our Oregon State Grange convention our attention is focused on the activity in our capitol. And just as naturally, when the 2019 legislative session is gavelled to a close our focus will naturally stray from Salem.

## Grange Day at the Legislature

More than 25 Grangers attended the 2019 Grange Day at the Legislature on March 29<sup>th</sup> at the state capitol in Salem. OSG Legislative Director Mark Noah updated Grangers on the bills he and Lobbyist John DeHaas were working on.

SB210, would require all non-profits to file each year for property tax exemption.

SB528 would recognize fallen firefighters with roadside memorial signs similar to police officers.

HB2444 would provide significant funds for FFA in Oregon high schools.

HB3058 and SB853 are complementary bills, calling for restrictions on the use of Neonicotinoid pesticides.

Later in the morning Jacob Drew Vandever, Legislative Director for State Representative Christine Dra-

But much of the work of governing our state happens between sessions. The grassroots of government is in all of the town councils, county commissions, districts and boards, and all of the committees that report to them. Effective Grange legislative committees can keep us informed so we are prepared for potential legislation that might impact us or our organization.

As legislative chairman, keep track of local meetings, make sure your members are aware of these opportunities for involvement and engagement. Encourage others to attend and bring back a report. Nobody can attend every meeting, and certainly not every meeting is a compelling event, but we can all try to do a little and our collective effort will make us better informed, involved citizens working to improve our communities. That's what Grange has always been about.

As we focus on the impending conclusion of the current legislative session, we should remember the well-known quote most often associated with former Speaker of the House Tip O'Neill, "All politics is local."

zan who represents District 39 was introduced. He spoke about some of the bills Representative Drazan was working on. She had hope to meet with us but was in District that day and would be holding a Town Hall meeting at Boring-Damascus Grange that evening.

After lunch Val Hoyle, Oregon Labor Commissioner, spoke with the group. She had just come from the announcement by Governor Kate Brown that she was appointing Bev Clarno, Former House Speaker, and a Republican from Redmond, to the vacant Secretary of State position.

Grangers then spent time calling on their Representatives and Senators, armed with knowledge of Grange policy and a new handout on getting to know the Grange with membership facts and our legacy of Grassroots Advocacy.



Rep. Walden answered questions from residents of Spray during the Town Hall held there in March.

## Rep. Walden Holds Town Hall at Spray

Oregon District #5 Congressman Greg Walden held a Town Hall meeting in the tiny town of Spray, Oregon on March 30<sup>th</sup> hosted by Spray Grange #940, Wheeler County. Spray is the only Grange in Wheeler County and Mr. Walden had been told to "be sure and visit Spray" which he made a point to do. The event was well attended. He was sympathetic to the concerns of their county and vowed to follow up.



Rep. Walden with Spray Grange Secretary Lorraine Smith.

## National Grange Call to Action

Would you lobby for agriculture's youth? Well, here's your chance.

**First**, ask your U.S. Representative in Washington to cosponsor H.R. 1770, the Student Agriculture Protection Act, sponsored by bipartisan Representatives McCaul, Cuellar and Peterson. The bill exempts tax on the first \$5,000 in proceeds from the sale of livestock or agricultural projects by FFA or 4-H participants.

**Second**, ask your Representative to cosponsor an amendment to include Grange Youth and the Grange

Youth Fair program in the bill. Let National Grange know if you need the contacts for your Representative. Also please tell NG if your Representative will cosponsor a Grange Youth amendment.

In 2017 Oregon adopted the Grange Youth Fair program.



Right: Jacob Drew Vandever, Legislative Director for State Representative Christine Drazan.



Above: Legislative Director Mark Noah discussed some of the Bills the Grange was supporting.

Left: Grangers from all around the state attended Legislative day.







Representative Brad Witt, co-sponsor of the bill, with Eva Frost, Evelyn Hudson and others on May 14 after the Scappoose residents drove to Salem to testify on behalf of SB 528. SB 528 was unanimously passed out of the House Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness.

## SB 528 Looks to Soon Become Law

At last year's Oregon State Grange Convention Resolution Transportation #5: Oregon Fallen Fire Fighters Roadside Memorial Signs was adopted. The resolve read be it Resolved: that the Oregon State Grange lobbyist work with legislators to sponsor a bill in the 2019 Oregon legislature to have the Department of Transportation erect and maintain a roadside memorial in honor of Oregon fallen firefighters in the same manner as is done for police officers and members of the armed services.

In January Senate Bill 528 was sponsored by Senator Betsy Johnson, a member of Warren and Brownsmead Granges at the request of Mary and Sandra Hales, Evelyn Hudson and Eva Frost, family of Firefight Robert Hales. Brother Hales was a member of Warren Grange at the time of his death. He had been involved with the Grange starting as a Junior member.

On March 14 the bill passed the Senate and was sent to the House on a 30-0 vote. In the House it was referred to the Veterans and Emergency Preparedness committee where on May 15<sup>th</sup> it was unanimously passed out with a do pass recommendation. By the time you read this, the bill will likely be on the Governor's desk for signing.



Robert Arnold Hales, was a life-long member of Warren Grange #536 and a volunteer fireman with the Scappoose Rural Fire Protection District for eight years. Hales joined Warren Grange in 1985 and was the son of Robert and Carol Hales (Past Pomona of the OSG) and nephew of OSG Flora, Eva Frost and her sister Evelyn Hudson. Brother Hales, who died at the age of 40, is remembered as a hero after dying of a heart attack shortly after fighting a lightning-sparked fire. He died in a single-car accident on the Scappoose-Vernonia Highway, one-half mile from his home after volunteering 12 hours on the fire efforts.



About 30 members of the Canby community came together at Warner Grange to talk with Representative Drazan about bills in the current Oregon legislature.

## Government Affairs

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Hello Grangers

It has been a busy time at the Capitol with all of the Senate and House Bills being discussed and voted upon. Lawmakers have been massaging a proposal intended to reduce greenhouse gas emissions for months. Another group of lawmakers is working on a \$2 billion education funding package in which businesses would be taxed to pay for it. Bills on housing, campaign finance, and public pension reform are percolating as well.

At least some things are simple.

Here's a little-known bit of trivia that likely won't be useful for much longer: Oregon has a criminal statute against unlawfully transporting hay. It's a class-C misdemeanor — the least serious category of crime under state law, but a crime nonetheless.

Anyone driving down a public highway with more than 20 bales of hay could, at least hypothetically, be pulled over by a state trooper, arrested and charged with unlawfully transporting hay, unless they are carrying signed documentation detailing how much hay they're hauling, what type of hay it is, when it was purchased, how much it was purchased for, where it was loaded, how it is packaged and more.

With just 57 words, Senate Bill 509 repeals the statute. "This bill is one of the shortest ones ever," said state Sen. Arnie Roblan, D-Coos Bay, who is a sponsor. The law was originally intended to discourage hay thieves. But thanks to advances in farm technology, modern hay bales typically weigh about half a ton, making them much harder to steal than it was when they usually weighed less than 100 pounds, according to the Oregon Farm Bureau, which is pushing the bill.

The statute is little-known and seldom enforced, but hay truck drivers still occasionally report being pulled over and questioned

over it, the Farm Bureau said. Its representatives argue SB 509 "would reduce excessive regulation and prevent Oregon farmers and ranchers from being cited as criminals for hauling hay." It seems state legislators agree. The bill unanimously passed the Senate in April, and on May 9<sup>th</sup>, it flew through the House Judiciary Committee.

Some other news I know a lot of you have asked about is if there are any updates on the **Jordan Cove project**. The Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has denied Certification, at this time. Here is a link to find out more information. [www.oregon.gov/deq/Programs/Pages/Jordan-Cove.aspx](http://www.oregon.gov/deq/Programs/Pages/Jordan-Cove.aspx)

As for some bills we have been following.

**HB 3058** review data for registered pesticide products containing chlorpyrifos and add additional restrictions as warranted. Sunsets January 2, 2024. Declared emergency, effective on passage. Recommendation: Do pass with amendments, be printed A-Engrossed, and be referred to Ways and Means.

**Senate Bill 853** Prohibits sale, purchase or use of pesticide chlorpyrifos. Stuck in Committee

**Senate Bill 210** Requires certain institutions seeking property tax exemption to file information return that states basis for exemption claim in terms derived from Oregon case law. So far it has died in committee.

**Senate Bill 501** Requires person to secure permit before purchasing or otherwise receiving firearm. It is still in Committee and is most likely going to die there.

Well hope this finds you well.

On a personal Note, *Thanks to all of you who sent Condolences and Prayers about my sister.*

Happy Trails

## Warner Hosts Town Hall Meeting

District 39 State Representative Christine Drazan held a Town Hall meeting with Warner Grange #117, Clackamas County. About 30 people attended this open forum with the opportunity to ask questions of their Representative in Salem.

Earlier in March Boring-Damascus

Grange #260 held a Town Hall with several Legislators present and on June 12<sup>th</sup> it will be Springwater Grange #263's turn to hold a Town Hall meeting. Don Kingsborough, District 4 Legislative Chairman commented that the politicians are seeking out Granges to host events where they can talk one-on-one with their constituents.



## Membership Matters

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Our "Come Together at the Grange" membership campaign is underway. To illustrate the variety of ways that Granges unite their communities, the Membership column in this Bulletin will list some of the activities of our Oregon Granges this spring.

**AED** (Automated External Defibrillator) – Lake Creek Grange #697 installed in March; several other Granges have them installed as well.

**Community Yoga Classes** – Marys River Grange #685 is hosting these classes.

**Music Concerts** – Bluegrass: Multnomah Grange #71; Open Mic and Supper: Fairview Grange #273.

**Disaster Preparedness** – Grab and Go Bags – Long Tom Grange #866; Wildfire Preparedness: London Grange #937.

**Community Fundraisers** – 4-H Box Social: Hurricane Creek Grange #608; Beef BBQ and Pie Auction: Fort Rock Grange #758; Cuddle Cots: Warner Grange #117; Flea Market: Santiam Valley Grange #828; Craft Show and Flea Market: Terrebonne Grange #663; Spring Pancake Breakfast: Williams Grange #399; Meatloaf and Baked Potato Bar: Morning Star Grange #311; Spaghetti Dinner: Scotts Mills Grange #938; Plant Sale and Yard Art: London Grange #937; Spring Mix Bazaar: Clarkes Grange #261; Plant Sale: Rockford Grange #501; Strawberry Waffle Breakfast: Boring-Damascus Grange #260; Lostine Bar-B-Q Sandwich: South

Fork Grange #605.

**Community Fun** – Bingo: Fairmount Grange #252; Egg Hunt: Santiam Valley Grange #828; Family Movie Night: Bridge Grange #730; Grange Friends and Family BBQ: Fairview Grange; Bingo: Creswell Grange #496; Open House: Mohawk Valley Community Grange #922; Bunco: Fruitdale Grange #379; Easter Egg Hunt: Azalea Hope Grange #786; Lane County Play Festival; High Tea: Lane Pomona Grange #14; Celebrate Mothers' Day Grange Style: McMinnville Grange #31.

**Home Food Preservation and Safety** – Silverton Grange #748.

**Oregon Ag Fest** – numerous Grangers.

**Community Information Sharing** – Arbor Day Readings and Native Tree Share: Columbia Grange #267; Canby Town Hall: Warner Grange #117; Community Meeting: Clackamas County Pomona #1; Community Library: South Fork Grange #605

**Oregon Ag in the Classroom** – Oregon State Grange Education and Agriculture Committees.

**Recycling Day** – Columbia Grange #267.

These are just some examples of how our Oregon Granges are encouraging communities to "Come Together at the Grange." Be sure to join the Oregon State Grange Member Forum on Facebook to help keep track of these events.

## Ada Presents Silver Star Certificate



Ada Master Megan Schofield (r) presents Heather Elliott with her certificate and pin representing 25 years of membership.

On May 11<sup>th</sup>, Ada Grange #570, Lane County honored Heather Elliott and presented her with her Silver Star certificate and pin representing 25 years of Grange membership.

Heather has been active at the Junior, Youth, Subordinate, Pomona, and state levels and is a third generation Granger. She is currently District 2 Chairperson on the State Junior Committee and Lecturer of Ada Grange.

## The Lake Creek Grange Subaru Television Commercial

### Background

Lake Creek Grange, #697, Jackson County, has an effort underway to increase membership.

During one of their monthly Community Breakfasts last summer, notice was made that there was an abundance of Subaru vehicles in the parking lot. A long time Grange member wondered if the local Subaru dealership might be interested in capitalizing on all the Subarus in their parking lot by filming a commercial at their Grange; and, the exposure could benefit both event attendance and bring in new members. (Note: Southern Oregon Subaru is known for its 30 second TV ads featuring local businesses and non-profit groups.).

Since Rick Crook had recently purchased a Subaru Outback from this dealership, he volunteered to pitch this idea to the dealership management to see if they would be interested. The Grange really had nothing to lose.

### The Pitch

The goal was to highlight the Lake Creek Grange in the commercial, but Southern Oregon Subaru wanted an ad that would sell new cars to new residents. It was also important for Subaru to have an angle they felt was aligned with their core messaging. Anyone who is familiar with Subaru marketing knows that Subaru likes to pitch its all-wheel drive cars for winter driving, use of its cars for outdoor adventures, and (of course) *the dogs*. So, since parts of Lake Creek are typically in the snow during the winter, the Grange figured they would offer the following ideas to Subaru: members who recently moved to Lake Creek, bought a new Subaru to handle winter road conditions, use the car to help haul supplies for the Grange to assist in their monthly Community Breakfast, and transport the large livestock guardian dogs on the ranch.

Southern Oregon Subaru liked the idea and took the bait "hook, line, and sinker" and composed the ad around "the pitch."

### The Filming

Everyone had a great time during the filming due to the good nature of the video team.

The Grange was able to schedule the filming crew on the day they both prepare for the monthly Breakfast and also serve a lunch for the volunteers and neighbors. This ensured there would be the maximum number of Subaru owners at the Grange Hall willing to come and spend time for filming, fellowship, and food.

The videographer was gracious enough to include the Grange in as much of the commercial as possible at their request. The whole process took about three hours. The Grange was informed that the commercial would likely be shown in the Southern Oregon region May/June this year.

### Lake Creek Grange Advertising

The Grange realized that many people in the Southern Oregon broadcast area are unfamiliar with the Lake Creek Grange and that they may perform an internet search on the Grange once they see the commercial. Since Lake Creek's current primary source of advertisement is their Facebook page, they have expanded a description of the Grange activities in the *About* section of their Facebook page in preparation for increased internet search traffic. They also received permission to use the professional quality photos in their Facebook page heading to aid in site recognition.

For those of you wishing to see the ad, please visit their Facebook page: Lake Creek Grange #697 and look for the post of the Subaru Ad link.



Lake Creek Grangers and friends show off a parking lot full of Subarus. Photo provided by Marc Salvatore Photography



## Ada Presents Award to Veteran

On May 11<sup>th</sup>, Ada Grange #570, Lane County, presented Harold Johnson with a Certificate of Appreciation for his service to this country during the Vietnam war.

Harold Johnson has been a member of Ada Grange since 1998 and currently serves as Gatekeeper as well as Legislative Committee and Veterans committee chairman. He also serves in an At-Large position on the Oregon State Grange Legislative committee.

Certificates to recognize Vietnam veterans as well as those of World War II, Korea and the conflicts not classified as wars during the Cold War Era are available; as well as certificates for Gulf War Veterans and those of the post-9/11 era conflicts/wars. To request a certificate, please make sure to include the following information: name of veteran, name of Grange they belong to or who is giving out the certificate, the name of the local Master and Lecturer, the city and town the Grange Veteran is located in and the shipping address. There is no cost to you or your Grange for program material or the certificates. This program is sponsored by Potomac Grange #1. Contact the National Grange Communications Direc-



Harold Johnson with his certificate. tor at [communications@national-grange.org](mailto:communications@national-grange.org) or call at 888-4-Grange.

Informational DVDs are available to explain WWII – what led to the war, the war itself, its toll and its impact on our nation. They are also available for the Korean War, Vietnam and the Cold War conflicts, and Gulf War and Post-9/11. These can be used to glean information needed for a great Lecturer's program or can be an introduction for Junior Grangers and Grange Youth to citizenship and patriotism lessons. Contact the National Grange Lecturer at [lecturer@nationalgrange.org](mailto:lecturer@nationalgrange.org) or call (202) 628-3507 ext. 102.

## Fernwood Grange Participates in Blue Star Marker Dedication

On Saturday May 18<sup>th</sup> the Chehalem Garden Club dedicated a Blue Star Memorial By-way marker in Newberg's Memorial Park. Helping with the Color Guard for the dedication were members of VFW Post #4015 and Fernwood Grange #770.

Fernwood Grange Master Hubert "Hub" Mardock carried the Grange flag. Many members of Fernwood Grange are also members of the Newberg VFW.

Right: Fernwood Grange Master Hubert "Hub" Mardock with the Grange flag.



The Veterans present for the dedication of the Blue Star Memorial marker included many members of Fernwood Grange.

## Veterans

Jim Clute  
[james\\_clute@yahoo.com](mailto:james_clute@yahoo.com)  
Oregon State Grange Veterans Director



Convention is almost here: there is always so much to do. Remember that there are things happening prior to the convention also.

### VETERANS TOUR schedule

Friday 21 June 2019 12:30—5:00  
1250 Board transportation  
1300 Transportation leaves Molalla HS  
45 min travel to Veterans Village facility  
1345 arrive disembark, tour complex  
1500 social time – converse with Veterans  
1600 board transportation for return trip to school  
1700 end of tour

### Communication

Communications is becoming so much more important as this age of social media advances in its popularity. In days gone by we could put notices in local publications or flyers via snail mail and there would be time to spare. Nowadays the world is on fast track, insta this, that and whatever. Just the other day I received information of a one-day event to get a dental check-up but, an advance reservation was required and the day was less than a month away. Publishing it in the Bulletin or even by mail was out of the question. That is why it is so important to be part of an online group of some kind. Contact your Subordinate/Pomona/District chair. Establish a relationship with them so that information can be passed up and down the line. It was called a phone tree, so antiquated now.

### Just a moment

A big Thank You to all who take just a moment to show appreciation to our veterans and their families. Some may be embarrassed or not know how to respond, but the expression will stay with that person adding value to what they are doing. It is heartwarming to hear someone recognize that in our fast-paced society. Then there are the little kids. Even in a town with a huge military population, you still run across awe-struck kiddos who

think being a soldier is the coolest thing on planet earth. I love seeing them stare while they say to their parents "look, it's a soldier/sailor." Service members and military spouses sometimes complain that America is not grateful enough for their service. At times we question the way others express their gratefulness. Poorly expressed (or no thanks at all) is at least partially due to a lack of knowledge. So, skip the sympathy – give gratitude. Military members don't want you to feel sorry for them. We chose this life and we are happy to serve. So instead of saying "I'm sorry," say "Thank you for your service!" Encouraging words make us beam with pride. If your business offers a military appreciation discount, publicize it. Even though we aren't looking for handouts, we understand that many businesses want to say "thank you" by giving us a percentage off our purchase. Say it out loud so that your non-military customers know that you appreciate our military. Consider posting a sign, good PR is catching. Not only will you be spreading the appreciation and love, but the giver and the recipient both benefit. Give a military spouse a hand. Know any deployed military families? Think about doing something nice for the spouse of a deployed service member. An offer to babysit, mow that insanely out of control lawn, drop off a meal so an exhausted and overwhelmed parent can take a break would be appreciated. Little gestures of kindness turn into a "thank you" in big ways.

### Stay Up-to-Date with Military Discounts

Want the scoop on military discounts? From travel to phones and everything in between, troops, military families and veterans can stay on top of military discounts. Sign up for a free Military.com membership to get full access.

For more veteran job news, job listings and resources, visit the [Military.com](http://Military.com) Veteran Jobs Center.

Hope to see you at convention.

## Lane Pomona Collects Shirts for Vets

For the Lane Pomona Grange second quarter Community Service project, the Granges collected new white T-shirts for the Roseburg Veterans Hospital. Sixty T-shirts were delivered to Tracey Palmer, Volunteer coordinator at the Roseburg Veterans Hospital, on April 26th. The shirts were very much appreciated by the hospital.

L -r: Tracey Palmer, Volunteer Coordinator at Roseburg Vets Hospital, Sharon Hawkins, Lane Pomona Community Service Chair and Priscilla Phillips, Lane Pomona GWA Chair.





## Grange Youth & Young Adults

Connie Suing  
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OSG Youth Director



We are all looking forward to spending a few days in the end of June with some of the finest young people I know, our Oregon State Grange Youth and Young Adults.

We get to reconnect, share stories and make new memories. When my co-workers ask me why I go to State Grange convention every year, I tell them it's my one time a year that I get the privilege to be with my Grange family and I sincerely mean it. I hope you all feel that way too.

We have a great week planned for our upcoming convention. Thank you to any of you who said they would be Delighted to be a Youth officer. You will have those early practices and then shine like you always do on Wednesday morning, opening the 4th day of our annual convention. We will have a couple workshops, hopefully a car wash with the funds going to a place that can truly use it in the District 4 area, a BBQ at the park by the school with corn hole, bocce ball etc. I know we will be helping in a soup kitchen, and making the skid resistant socks for a care center. If you are able to come to any of these outside of delegate work, that would be super.

This is our 4th year "Keeping

**Oregon Warm.** Please consider bringing outer wear (gloves, mittens, socks, scarves, hats) to donate to those in need, this year in District 4. This has been a wonderful way of giving back to our communities.

Bring your talent to Molalla. You all are a bunch of hams and love to have fun. Lets showcase that with your talents. Singing, sign a song, public speaking, entering a photo or hand made craft in the Lecturers or GWA contests. These are all ways to have fun and let everyone see what you all enjoy doing.

Western regional is just around the corner. This year we are travelling to Montana the weekend of August 9<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup>. It will be a fun filled weekend and I look forward to travelling with contest winners or those who just want to make the road trip with us. Stay tuned.

Some of our contests from National Grange are being revised and as soon as I know more I will send out that information.

See you all soon.

As always, remember to ask a Youth or Young Adult; I know they will "Be Delighted" to help.

## Grange Jeopardy, Now Baseball

Grange Jeopardy has morphed into Grange Baseball with several changes that will make it more fun for both the contestants and the spectators. The most exciting(?) is both the state and regional levels are open to all ages.

### Rules and Guidelines

- Regional participants will be divided into two teams: blue agates or golden sheaves.
- There will be 5 innings, additional innings will be used for tie breakers.
- Each team will get 3 outs per inning. (an out is an incorrect answer.)
- When a player gets up to bat, they will get to determine what type of base hit they want: single, double, triple or home run.
- The type of base hit will determine the difficulty of the question.
- Participants will have 15 seconds to answer a single or double question; 30 seconds to answer a triple or home run question.

Once the teams have been decided, the teams will need to come up with a line-up.

Statistics will be kept on each individual player. The three players from each region with the best slugging percentages will represent the region at National. These participants will be referred to as "Silver Sluggers". Prizes will be awarded to regional "Silver Sluggers."

If you don't want to play, you can cheer on the blue agates or the golden sheaves from the audience! Audience participation is highly encouraged.

Questions come from: current National Grange roster. Subordinate manual. Youth programs. Past Jeopardy and trivia challenges and Grange history books.

Anyone can play at state or regionals. Oregon will pay for the top three Youth/Young adults to represent Oregon at regionals but anyone going to regionals can compete.

## Warner Benefits from Scout Project

At Warner Grange #117, Clackamas County, four of their members are active in the Grange's Boy Scout Troop. At summer camp last year they met a candidate for Eagle Rank that needed a project and suggested to him that there may be a project at the Grange hall. They then approached the Grange and asked about the back porch which the Grange had previously discussed. The Grange agreed to meet with the candidate to discuss the idea. John, the candidate came out and met with several Grangers; after which the Grange agreed to the project and a timeline.

John had to have his troop and the BSA Council approve the project. After approval from all parties, John arranged

for other scouts, family and friends to help. The project included a new back porch and steps as well as a storage shed under the porch. It took several cold weather gatherings but the project is finished and John will soon have his Court of Honor where he will be recognized for earning the rank of Eagle Scout. A project like this takes extra patience and planning but the benefits to BSA, to Warner Grange and to society are worth the effort.



Day 5 of the Eagle Scout project at Warner Grange. Concrete poured, stairs started, in the shed.

## FFA Honors Grange Youth

Two of Oregon's Grange youth received recognition at this year's Oregon State FFA Convention held in March.

Kendra Guttridge of Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County received one of five gold awards for her Secretary Book. Kendra is a member of the Canby FFA Chapter.

Austin VanHouten, a member of Riversdale Grange #731, Douglas County, won the State FFA Small Animal Production Proficiency Award as well as being a finalist in the Diversified Livestock, Goat, Poultry and Small Animal FFA Pro-

ficiency areas. Additionally, Austin receive his State FFA Degree the highest award a state FFA association can bestow upon its members.

In addition to FFA Austin is an Oregon 4-H State Ambassador, National 4-H Congress participant, Douglas County Teen Leader club officer, 4-H club officer, FBLA officer and Subordinate and Pomona Grange officer. Austin served as president for the second place Parliamentary Procedure Team for Oregon FBLA and will be representing Oregon at the National Leadership Conference in San Antonio, Texas later this year.



2018-19 Oregon FFA State President Andrew Gmirkin Congratulates Austin VanHouten on receiving his FFA State Farmer Degree.





## Western Regional Leadership Conference to Be Held in Montana

The 2019 Western Regional Leadership Conference will be August 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> at Echo Valley Campground in Avon, Montana. The camp is located 30 miles west of Helena, Montana and about 17 miles east of Garrison, Montana on Highway 12 East. Below is the application form.

There are cabins, RV and tent spots for all. All lodging is dormitory style; one for the guys and one for the gals. There are a few cabins for individual families. Those who don't want to camp can stay in hotels in Helena. The cost is \$85 for the weekend if you stay at the camp. This includes camp fee, meals and workshops. T-shirts will be available for an additional charge of \$10.

The conference is open to all who wish to attend. This is a great opportunity to meet and share information with your contemporaries from other states at all levels. In addition to workshops, activities including campfires with s'mores and the regional level of the Public

speaking, Sign-a-song and Grange Baseball contests will be held.

The Washington State Grange will be taking a bus from Olympia. Cost of the bus is \$100 per person from Western Washington, \$75 from Ellensburg, or \$50 from East of the Columbia River. Contact the state office for more information. For **Oregon contestants** this will be the only transportation paid for by the state Grange from the carpool place(s) in Oregon. Otherwise you are on your own. Carpool places will be determined once it is known who plans to attend.

The registration Form must be postmarked by July 8<sup>th</sup>. **If you are going as a contestant and registration is being paid by the State Grange your registration must be in the state Grange office by Tuesday July 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

Follow the Western Regional Grange Leaders Conference Facebook page for the most up-to-date information.



**2019 Western Regional Grange Conference**  
Echo Valley Camp - located on highway 12 between Avon and Elliston in beautiful Montana  
August 9-11, 2019  
**(Deadline postmarked July 8)**  
Mail to: 94 Swedish Drive, Anaconda MT 59711

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grange Name: \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Junior (ages 5 to 13) ☐ Youth (ages 14 to 25) ☐ General (ages 36+)  
Break-out sessions will be part of the conference, what break-out group will you attend?  
☐ Master ☐ Lecture ☐ Membership ☐ Youth ☐ Juniors

**Conference Registration**  
Covers meals, lodging, crafts, fun, field trips, campfires and everything else that we have to offer. Please note all lodging is dormitory camp style. There are some cabins that will fit individual families as well as boys' and girls' cabin that each will accommodate up to 40 campers. There are also 10 camper hook-ups w/ water and electric and over 20 tent spaces. Facilities can be previewed at <http://www.campsechovalley.com/>

**Registration and Lodging Fee**  
\$85 per person payable to Avon Grange Youth  
Tee shirts are \$10 and not included in the registration fee, please include size \_\_\_\_\_

**Arriving on a jet plane?**  
We will provide shuttle services from Helena Montana Regional Airport to camp. Please make reservations with Marty Billquist at 406-560-1483 ASAP!!

A roster will be created of all attendees. The following information will be included: Name, Address, Email, Phone, Grange Name and #. Do we have your permission to publish your information to be distributed to all Grange members attending this conference?  
☐ Yes ☐ No

Photos and videos will be taken at the conference and used to promote the grange. Do we have your permission to publish photos and videos of you?  
☐ Yes ☐ No

**What you will need to bring**  
All attendees will need to bring bedding, casual clothes, cool weather clothes, toiletries, towel, willingness to participate, a great attitude and a want to have fun.

Questions? Contact Marty Billquist at [mbillquist@gmail.com](mailto:mbillquist@gmail.com) or 406-560-1483

## GROW Club

"Go Right On Working"

Sandi Ludi

OSG GROW Club President

[sandiludi5@aol.com](mailto:sandiludi5@aol.com)



The Oregon GROW Club has several events on their calendar during the upcoming months.

First up is the annual get together and meeting held during state Convention. This year we will meet at Molalla Grange, 127 Grange Ave, Molalla on Wednesday June 26 starting at 5:15pm. The Grange hall is located just a few blocks from the Molalla High School where the convention is being held. The meal is catered and will include quarter chicken barbecued on the Traeger at a cost of \$14-15 each. Sign up is required by noon on Monday, June 24. See Suzy at registration for the clipboard.

Agenda items include discussion of upcoming ice cream socials and what we want to offer in the oral auction. The GROW Club gets to have one oral and one silent auction items. We have been given a quilt made by the late Katrina Weter, the 2002 Oregon Outstanding Young Adult and GROW Club member.


Next up is an Ice Cream Social on Saturday, June 29<sup>th</sup> at Riversdale Grange #731. The ice cream social will be a part of a fundraiser for their new scholarship fund. The Grange located at 4856 Garden Valley Rd, Roseburg will serve hamburgers and hot dogs with the ice cream and

will ask those that come to make a donation to the scholarship fund.

Following will be an Ice Cream Social on Sunday August 18<sup>th</sup> as part of Hurricane Creek Grange's Community BBQ picnic. It will be held at their hall, 82930 Airport Lane in Joseph. The BBQ is scheduled to start at 1pm with the ice cream being served around 2-3pm.

The GROW Club Board is constructed of seven members, one from each of the six districts and one member-at-large. Positions from Districts #2 and #5 are vacant. If you are from one of these districts and are interested in serving on the board, please contact Sandi Ludi.

*GROW stands for "Go Right On Working." The GROW Club is made up of those persons who have worn the sash or crown of State Grange Outstanding Young Granger, Youth Ambassador, Prince or Princess, Outstanding Young Couple, Outstanding Young Adult or a member of the National Youth Team; and in Oregon a member of the National Youth officer team. A Dutch-treat meal is held each year during the State and National Grange conventions to encourage members to keep in contact with each other and to develop new areas of service to the Grange.*



# 2019

## Keeping Oregon Warm

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

### The Oregon State Grange Youth and Young Adults are collecting stocking caps, mittens, gloves, scarves, socks, etc...

**both purchased and homemade for distribution to the less fortunate in District 4**

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

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

# OSG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - January 12, 2019

The meeting was called to order at 9:20am by Master Susan Noah. Members present were Jay Sexton, Sarah Kingsborough, John Fine, Sam Keator, and Louise Holst.

Prior Meeting Minutes from October 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 were reviewed and approved as corrected.

## Financial Reports

- Accounting – Celia is working on the books and starting to gather information for our annual audit.
- Receivables & Dues payments, including past dues, were reviewed and discussed.
- Membership reports were reviewed showing the gains/losses of all the Subordinate Granges. A few Granges are behind on quarterly reports and dues. Through the third quarter we have lost 164 members in 2018. 4<sup>th</sup> quarter reports will be coming in the next month.
- Scott Barker with Barker Wealth Investments provided his quarterly report regarding the investments of the OSG. 2018 was a year of ups and downs in the financial markets. This is expected to continue into the coming years.

## Unfinished Business

- North Howell – Offer received – buyer is putting together his presentation for Marion Co., nothing new seems to be happening.
  - Buzi is moving out of state but says she will be available to follow through on this sale.
- Pomona Task Force training date is set for March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at Terrebonne Grange at 10am.
- The checking account has been updated and we are starting to transition to the new bank as of the first of the year.
- The new bulletin software is now up and running, and Suzy is learning all the fun new bells and whistles.
- Secretary at State Session – Mark Noah has agreed to fill in for Sarah at the 2019 Session.
- Come Together at the Grange – membership campaign – kickoff is January 19<sup>th</sup> at Abernethy Grange. Let's come together as a leadership team and rally around this campaign to support the Oregon State Grange in 2019.
- High Desert Grange – Jay provided an update to the lot line adjustment with the Grange/neighborhood property. We are proceeding with the process and hope to have this resolved within the next few years. When Jay spoke with the planner and men-

tioned we hope to reorganize the Grange, there was concern about the EFU code and the Grange qualifying.

Lunch Break 12pm – 1pm

## New Business

- Office staffing was discussed regarding potential temporary / permanent hire, change in hours, etc. We will continue this discussion at our next meeting based on needs of the state office for regular work and special projects.
- Molalla High School visit is scheduled for January 18, 2019 at 4:00
- Fernwood Grange in Newberg will have a reorganization meeting and welcoming ceremony – January 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm.
- National Grange paid back the \$200,000 loan for the chiller we made in August 2018.
- State Fair Log Cabin recap – Peggy and Susan met with State Fair representatives in December and discussed ideas to improve the Grange presence during the fair. We will be able to use the grassy area outside for Grange family games. John and Sarah may have a cornhole challenge in their future. Paula is heading up the cookbook, be sure to get recipes to her before April.
- Honor Grange program has been revamped slightly for 2019. New forms will go out to Granges and be posted on the website shortly.
- Russellville Grange sent a letter inquiring on the loan process.
- John moved to postpone action until the full loan application and financials are received. Sam seconded. The motion passed.
- Grant program – forms will be updated in 2019 per recommendations from the grant committee.
- Valley Falls Grange near Lakeview – a request to purchase was received by a local community member.
  - Jay moved to sell the Valley Falls Grange property to Dusty Counts for \$10,000. Sarah seconded. Motion passed with 1 opposed.
- Junior Department – wants to start using Safe Gatherings Background checks. This program is encouraged by the National Grange and any state or subordinate Granges can use the Grange profile. Price is \$35 for a two-year clearance. Peggy has already started using it for the Junior Committee.
  - John moved to reaffirm the OSG Child Protec-

tion Policy originally adopted in 2008. The OSG will pay for our required Safe Gathering Background checks of volunteers working in a supervisory position for OSG sponsored activities. Subordinate/Pomona Grange volunteers working with Juniors/Youth under 21 are encouraged to use the Safe Gathering Background check at their cost for their local activities. Sam seconded. Louise moved to amend that the funds for the OSG event background checks come from the leadership membership fund. Jay seconded the amendment. The amendment passed. The motion passed as amended.

- Ag Luncheon – Mark has scheduled the Grange Agriculture luncheon at the state capitol for Friday May 17<sup>th</sup>
- Grange Day at the Legislature may be different this year since part of the Capitol building is under construction. Mark will explore options for meeting/lunch at OSG headquarters or elsewhere so this important connection between Grangers and legislators still takes place.

## Decisions made via email were ratified

- Agreement to allow Phoenix Grange to withdraw \$2,435.04 from their custodial funds for furnace replacement.
- Agreement to allow Mt. Vernon Grange to withdraw \$75,902 from their custodial funds for building upgrades.
- Agreement to allow Bandon Grange to transfer \$700 from their custodial account to the OSG for prior quarter dues payments.
- Agreement to allow Terrebonne to withdraw \$5,000 from their custodial account for various repairs and improvements.

## Grange Reports

- Bandon is meeting regularly and has taken care of their late dues to the OSG. Carol is connecting with them often.
- Charity Grange was declared dormant in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. High Desert Grange was declared dormant in the 4<sup>th</sup> quarter.
- Hillsboro Grange had some publicity in the Oregonian regarding their membership. Some individuals who did not become members of Hillsboro are considering starting a new Grange in the area.
- Lexington Grange has membership concerns and could use some support.
- Milwaukie Grange is caught up on dues, working on the property, and making plans for the coming year.
- Redwood Grange as discussed in the membership reports is very past due.
- Russellville Grange is working to improve their rental policy for consistency.
- Thurston Grange is working on property tax issues.
- Yankton Grange is working on their hall and getting caught up on dues.

## Next Meetings

- March 30<sup>th</sup> Exec Meeting All Day
- May 27<sup>th</sup> Exec Meeting All Day
- State Officer practices will be May 18 or 19 and June 8 or 9.

The meeting adjourned at 4pm.  
Sarah Kingsborough, Secretary



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.

Mail to: Oregon State Grange, 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301  
gbulletin@orgrange.org