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National Grange President Returns to Oregon for State Convention

This year's National Grange representative to the Oregon State Grange convention will be Betsy Huber, President of the National Grange. Betsy was elected president in November 2015. She was re-elected to her fourth term in November 2021. Previously she was part of the National Grange's executive committee from 2007-14. She is the first female elected National President (also known as National Master) of the Grange. She was also the first female president of the Pennsylvania State Grange, a position she held from 2002-10.



In 2017, she was appointed to the FCC's Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee and serves on the State Model Code and Streamlining Federal Siting working groups. She also serves on the board of the USDA program Safety in Agriculture for Youth and as Executive Secretary of the Pennsylvania Young Farmers Association.

Huber, who was born and raised on a dairy farm in Chester County, Pennsylvania, is part of a multi-generational Grange family, active in the organization since age 5 when she was in the Junior Grange.

In 2019 she joined the Deployment Working Group of the FCC Precision Agriculture Task Force. Currently she also serves on the boards of the Coalition for Food and Agriculture Research and the Alliance for Aviation Across America.

Huber is no stranger to politics, serving as the Legislative Assistant to State Representative Arthur Hershey in his district office from

1992-2002. Prior to that she was employed by Lincoln University for three years and by the National Grange for seven years as secretary to the Women's Activities Department.

She served 24 years as a Supervisor of Upper Oxford Township, Chester County, and served as Treasurer of the Chester County Association of Township Officials and on several committees for the State Association. Other board memberships include PA FarmLink, PA Department of Environmental Protection Ag Advisory Committee, the PA Alliance for Livestock Care and Well-being, and the PA State Council of Farm Organizations where she served as President for two years. She represented the Pennsylvania State Grange on the University of Pennsylvania Veterinary School Board of Overseers 2002-15.

For 39 years, she was married to Henry T. Huber, who passed away in 2006. They are the parents of three children and grandparents of eight, with six great-grandchildren.

District 1 Says Welcome to Talent

"Have Fun in District1" as you enjoy this year's Oregon State Grange Convention. The convention site is the Talent Middle School with the benefit breakfast at the Phoenix Grange hall.

schedules specifically for Youth/Young Adults and Juniors on pages 11-12.



Returning this year will be the Trade Show. Each of the State Grange standing committees will have a table at a Trade Show on Monday evening from 6-7:15 pm. This will be an opportunity for the committees to share information about their programs. It will also

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Oregon Hosts Western Regional Conference

The Oregon State Grange is looking forward to hosting the 2022 Western Regional Grange Leadership Conference August 5-7 at the Hilton Garden Inn ~ Eugene/Springfield.

The Conference Registration costs of \$90 per person covers dinner and activities on Friday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday as well as the meeting room, snacks and all conference materials. The registration form is located on page 18 of this issue of the Bulletin long with a tentative schedule, as well as on the conference Facebook page and the OSG website.



Built around the theme "Creating Connections Across State Lines" the conference will include a week-end of inspiration, education, leadership growth and networking for all Grangers no matter their age. Conference workshop presenters include National Grange (NG) Youth and Young Adults Director, Mandy Bostwick and NG Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins along with others.

Friday evening kicks off with the welcome and introductions before dinner at Walterville Grange followed by the regional Grange Baseball contest. Saturday will have workshops and meals at the hotel and that evening will be the Regional Sign-a-Song and Public Speaking Contests.

Registration is due to the Oregon State Grange no later than July 15.

Lodging is at the Hilton Garden Inn ~ Eugene/Springfield. Rooms are \$129.00 per night plus tax. Make arrangements directly with the hotel.

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Questions? Contact the Oregon State Grange Youth Directors at osg.youth@gmail.com or the Oregon State Grange office 503.316.0106 and like our Facebook page at Western Regional Grange Leaders Conference for up-to-date information.

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The President's Column

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I almost can't believe that this is my last column as the State President! It has been a pretty quick ten years, and while I can't say I have enjoyed every bit of it (can you say, Grange Casino!) I have to say that it certainly has been a rewarding job. I know I have grown as a person and as a Granger over these ten years and I have watched others blossom as well as they carried out their jobs as Directors or Officers in the State Grange leadership team.

Over these years we have finally seen a net gain in membership, something that took over 26 years to achieve, and I am so proud that it happened during my term in this office. Of course, it has been the members of each Grange that caused this net gain, but even the reflected glory has been great!

To me the greatest achievement of my time in office has been the implementation of the Matching Grant Program. Since this began in 2014, we have helped over 100 Community Granges and have provided over \$400,000 in matching funds. I think this has been one of the best uses for the money that reverts to the State Grange once a dormant Grange is past the seven-year range. Most of the time when a Grange goes dormant the State Grange tries to reorganize, and we have been successful in several of those cases, but if reorganization is not possible these properties are sold and the money goes into a fund specifically to help our Community Granges. The grant program has given us the mechanism to distribute these funds to projects around the State, and we have many Community Granges that are better because of it. For anyone who doubts the benefit of this program, you should come to the office and look at the before and after pictures of these Granges who have been helped, many of them are simply amazing! Lots of pride and hard work has gone into these improvements and I am so glad that the State Grange has been a partner.

It has also been my pleasure to work with many different State officers and Directors. Our Directors have worked to promote their programs, and to increase participation in Grange all over the state, and while each of our programs have taken a hit due to Covid, the current group of directors have been working hard to bring our Granges back to full participation. Each year we met for a weekend retreat to discuss our problems and our potential. It was from one of these retreats that the *GrangeUp* program and *Come Together at the Grange* were first

discussed. As these programs were shaped and came to fruition it was wonderful to see the excitement within the Directors. They worked together with each other and with the State office to make sure that our Community Granges were being heard, and were receiving the care and attention that they needed.

Of course, the last ten years have not been all fun and games, I have had my share of challenges and difficulties, but as the installation says "Difficulties are but opportunities to test our abilities", and I am sure that every Granger has had lots of opportunities to test their abilities. But do we rise to the opportunity or do we turn away? For the Granges that are rising to the opportunity I see growth and success. Generally, the first quarter of the year is where Granges drop members for non-payment of dues and because of that the State Grange usually does not show a net gain until the second or third quarter, but this year with over thirty Granges still unreported we are nearly even. Almost 18% of our Granges are showing a net gain and 58% are still even, leaving only 24% with a net loss. That may change with the last few reporting, but I'm thinking that we will stay pretty close to a net gain in the first quarter! These figures continue to show that our Community Granges play such an important part in their communities.



As I wrap up my time here in Salem, I am looking forward to my last State Convention as your President. The office is busy getting us ready to spend a week in Talent and I am busy trying to leave a clean office with lots of notes for our next Oregon State Grange President! Our convention this year will include our National President, Betsy Huber, as our National Representative, as well as a Zoom meeting for all of the delegates with Leroy Watson, one of my fellow National Board members. Leroy has an incredible Grange knowledge, and has spent some time researching and exploring how to revitalize our Pomona Grange system. His answers may be outside the "traditional" box but I believe we need some fresh ideas to strengthen the support that our Pomona Granges can provide for the Community Granges they serve.

I hope to see many of you at this convention as the Oregon State Grange installs a new President and starts another chapter in our nearly 150-year history. Thank you for all of the support I have received over these years and thank you to the many, many volunteers that have helped to keep the Oregon State Grange running and thriving. It has been a great journey.

See you in Talent!

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An open circle jam session was held at the conclusion of the Brookings Jamboree.

Old Time Fiddle Music is Again Heard at Chetco Grange

Chetco Grange #765 in Curry County hosted the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association (OOTFA) at their Brookings Jamboree on April 22nd and 23rd. The doors opened at 8 am Friday morning for the OOTFA members. They jammed, practiced and visited all day and into the evening as they wished. Snacks and drinks available were provided by the Grange.

On Saturday the public was invited with an open jam session from 9-11 am. The Grange served lunch followed by a free Fiddle Jamboree and Stage Show that went from noon to 2 pm and concluded with an open circle jam session from 2-4 pm with all acoustic stringed

instruments welcomed.

After having to cancel the 2020 event and not even trying in 2021 it was nice to be able to get back together.



Above: Members of the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association jam at the Chetco Grange.



Above: Crow Grange's performance of a "Cell Phone Zombies."

Below: Goshen produced "A Patriotic Program."



A Lot of Laughs Heard at the Lane County Play Festival



Above: Goldson members asks "Is It a Squash?"

Below: Dorena members playing music at intermission.



In 1936, the Oregon State Grange sponsored a Play Festival. Ever since, the Granges that make up Lane County Pomona Grange have carried on the tradition. This year, seven Granges participated in the Play Festival taking place over a three-week period, with each Grange performing their one-act play three times – once as a host and then at two other Granges. Each play lasted about twenty



Above: Irving performed the "The Guild of Dice and Dragons."



The Lecturer's Column

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The State Grange Convention is just around the corner so it's time to look over the different contests and select your entries. All contests, except Talent, are open to members and non-members. The Best of Show winner in photography must be a Grange member though. Those members entering the TALENT CONTEST must sign up with me no later than NOON on Saturday, June 18th and participate in a sound check at least two hours before the contest. Please refer to the Program Contest Guide booklet for all rules and judging criteria.

With April having been Grange month, perhaps you have some

good pictures of your Grange's Open House to submit in the "Grange Activities" photo contest. Also Be sure to check out our new contest, ROCK PAINTING. This contest will be judged by people's choice, so we are excited to have an interactive contest for everyone.

I hope to have an opportunity to visit with as many Subordinate Grange Lecturers as possible during this year's Convention. If you can attend, please come up and introduce yourself. I still have some 2020-2021 Lecturers Guides to hand out. These are a "helping hand" when you need a short program but no time to prepare. See you in June!

Lecturer's Contest Entries

Entries will be accepted on **Saturday June 18th from 2-5 pm** and **Sunday 8 am-noon** in the contest room at the Talent Middle School. Use the 2022 Awards, Contests and Scholarship guide for information.

Talent Contest

Contestants to meet with the State Lecturer at 4:30 pm at the Talent Middle School for order drawing and mic/music check.

R E M I N D E R

National Photo Contest
Deadline June 30



2022 VIRTUAL PHOTOGRAPHY CONTEST

- Divisions
- Agriculture
- Trucks
- Sky
- Water

Everyone can enter up to 3 photos!

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

Submit using the link bit.ly/22grangephoto



PLEASE NOTE NEW DEADLINE June 30, 2022



Above: Mohawk Mckenzie members in the "The Zoom Call."

Below: Lowell members in "Sequel to Hey Fred."



Above: Walterville members in "Taking Notes and Wasting Time."

The Chaplain's Corner



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The two most frequent commands in the Bible are to be joyful and be thankful. Joy and thanks come from within. Your attitude influences how you overcome situations in life. Psalms 30:11-12 tells us you have turned my mourning into dancing.

I recently started a one minute gratitude journal. Each day you write 3-5

things you are grateful for. Some days are easy to come up with multiple blessings where others days are a struggle. They even give you a place to doodle if you just need to relieve some of your stress. Remember there is always something to be thankful for. Turn your ordinary moments into blessings.

God Bless and make it a good day.

2022 Preferential Election Results for Oregon State Grange Officers

Below are the results of the 2022 Preferential Election held in the Subordinate/Community Granges in April. Votes were counted at the state office on Wednesday May 10th. Election board was Chairman Marilyn Reiher, Past President Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2, Teresa Cernac, Past President Columbia County Pomona #18 Jesse O'Dell, President Linn Pomona #12, Peggy Jillson, President Lane Pomona #14, Martin McClure, Past President Lane Pomona #14 and Roberta O'Dell, Master Santiam Valley #828, Linn County.

The **vote-getter with a majority of votes cast** will appear on the ballot at state convention. For positions where no member received a majority, the **top two vote-getters** will appear on the ballot. Only nominations for the position of Overseer/Vice President will be taken from the floor on Monday morning and added to the ballot.

The final election for state officers will be held on Monday June 20 from 4-6pm. Installation of officers will be held on Thursday June 23rd starting at 1:30pm at the Talent Middle School in Talent.

President/Master Jay Sexton	659	Gatekeeper David McBride	305
		Patrick Dearth	214
		Richard A. McDonnell	146
Lecturer Cookie (LaMora) Trupp	683	Ceres Jessie Jo Guttridge	661
Steward Phil Van Buren	468	Pomona Linda Helm	666
Lyle Utt	193	Flora Sandi Ludi	655
Assistant Steward Austin VanHouten	663	Executive Committee #1 Susan Noah	392
		John M. Fine	310
Lady Assistant Steward Aurianna VanHouten	379	Executive Committee #2 Celia Fox (Luttrell)	402
Connie Suing	296	Sam Keator	283
Chaplain Paula Herrick	385	Executive Committee #3 Louise Holst	667
Stacy (Clute) Brown	295		
Treasurer Sonny Hays-Eberts	660		
Secretary Sarah (Kingsborough) Jenkins	657		

District 1 Says Welcome to Talent

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provide you a chance to meet the Directors and committee members, ask questions and share information and ideas.

The Youth and Young Adult Committee are bringing a couple fun activities to convention. All week long there will be a corn hole tour-

namment so practice up on your bean bag tossing and as part of Monday evening's "Come Together at the Grange Social" they will be hosting a dance.

Convention wraps up on Thursday and the installation of the 2022-24 State officers is at 1:30 pm that day. Looking forward to see you in Talent.

In Memoriam

Juanita Barlow Dorena #835	Howard Gray Marys River #685
Carol Bouchard Wolf Creek #596	Patricia 'Tish' Kingsborough Warner #117
Sandra Clute Kinton #562	Marilyn Kirchofer Abermethy #346
Maybell Cummings Camas Valley #521	Michael Miller Eagle Point #664
Jane Curry North End #820	John Nail Long Tom #866
Thomas Edwards Sandlake #546	Robert Russell Mohawk #922
Frank Flowers Midland #781	Sheryl Simmons Siletz Valley #558
Clifton Gillmore Thomas Creek #581	Lorraine Spurlock Camas Valley #521

Mozelle Sylvester
Central #360



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

Columbia Grange #267 Benevolence Committee's Outreach Efforts

The Columbia Grange #267, Multnomah County, Benevolence Policy was formally established to service the Corbett community by: 1) providing two \$1,000 scholarships each year for continuing education for members and/or their family members; 2) \$500 for holiday gifts for two "adopted" families; and 3) \$1,000 for "extraordinary" giving for requests for anyone needing financial help in the community.

This year the committee has grown and has been reaching out to help

community members in need by volunteering to find needed resources. In one instance a couple's moving van was robbed of its contents in the process of moving to our community. The Grange's committee put out a call to members for missing items and were flooded with gifts to help the couple make up for their loss. Columbia's Benevolence Committee has also been working with the Corbett School District to help homeless families by providing toiletry bags and used clothing. In all things charity!

London Changes Meeting Day

London Grange #937, Lane County, has a new meeting time. They now hold their business meeting on

the third **Thursday** of each month starting at 6pm.

UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS			
<i>Pomona Secretaries are to send in meeting information to the Bulletin Editor as soon as date, time, and location are determined and/or changed.</i>			
Pomona	Date	Time	Meeting Place
Baker #24	Aug 17	10:30 AM	Elkhorn Grange
Benton #36	Jul 16	10:30 AM	Hope Grange
Clackamas #1	Jul 23	9:30 AM	Frogpond Grange
Columbia #18	Aug 6	10:00 AM	Natal Park
Deschutes #25	Aug 13	11:30 AM	TBA
Douglas #13	Apr 23	6:00 PM	TBA
Jackson #27			TBA
Josephine #20	Jul 30	10:00 AM	Deer Creek Grange
Lane #14	Jul 9	10:00 AM	Triangle Grange
Lincoln #10	Aug 20	10:30 AM	Siletz Valley Grange
Linn #12	Jul 9	10:00 AM	Santiam Valley Grange
Polk #3	Jul 10	11:00 AM	Oak Grove Grange
Tillamook #9			TBA
Umatilla-Morrow #26	Aug 27	10:00 AM	TBA
Wallowa #22	Jul 9	10:00 AM	South Fork Grange
Washington-Yamhill #2	Jul 16	10:00 AM	Fernwood Grange



Community members and Grangers look over the plants brought to the Plant Share at Columbia Grange #267 in Corbett.

Columbia #267 Combines Open House with Plant Share in May

The Columbia Grange #267, Multnomah County, annual Plant Share has become an event Corbett residents rely on to get starts for their gardens as well as unusual plants and trees. Local farmers and gardening enthusiasts bring extra starts, seeds, and plants to trade and share. The Grange lets the community know to “bring extra starts or come empty-handed and leave ready to plant your garden!”

This year they combined the Plant Share with an Open House inside the Grange hall. The Membership

Committee welcomed members and non-members inside for coffee and pastries and an opportunity to see the remodeled interior—in addition to learning about the Grange. A slideshow was set up to show past activities and photo albums were laid out showing historic photos through the decades. They also had a laptop setup with their website for those interested in filling out a membership application. As a result, Columbia now has two new members in addition to several ideas for new activities because of some enthusiastic networking!



HomeGrown Farm Stand Readies to Re-Open in New Location at White Clover Grange

The HomeGrown Farm Stand, dedicated to Shelly Bowe, that resided at Kendra's River Inn for a couple seasons, has now moved a bit to north down Hwy. 53 to the White Clover Grange. In keeping with the Grange's mission to support local agriculture, it seemed a perfect fit for the local area farm stand. When Kendra Hall-Bramall moved and closed the River Inn, local area residents wanted to ensure the Farm Stand continued, and so did Kendra.

Enter the Grange – the perfect place for the Farm Stand!

Open daily, starting April 18th at noon, the farm stand features locally-produced organic vegetables, plants and more. The self-serve stand has a variety of plants available – and more arriving weekly.

The Farm Stand proceeds will go to benefit the Grange's building maintenance fund.

Got good stuff growing? Want to sell your produce or products at Shelly Bowe's HomeGrown Farm Stand – text or call Kendra at 503-801-1442.



“We want the Farm Stand to be another retail outlet for our local gardeners, farmers and produces,” said Kendra. “All to benefit the Grange.”

HomeGrown Farm Stand at the White Clover Grange, 36585 Highway 53, Mohler.

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The Agricultural Report

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For about 20 years, in between my homesteading/sheepherding, landscape designing and installations/produce & sheep farming and motherhood/wife careers...I began raising, selling and planting Native Plants. Most nurseries carried ornamental plants with showy blooms, selected foliage and tidy flowerbed growth habits. These plants also often had high water and soil fertility requirements.

I wanted to find and use plants that were more adapted to this high mountain region of Wallowa County, and so with the encouragement of local Forest Service land managers...I taught myself the secrets of native plant seed germination, of plant divisions, of vegetative propagation, of ecological plant community soils and moisture requirements, and how to use native plants in the restoration of damaged wild landscapes.

This led to two of my own business successes; Tree of Life Nursery, and Cool Waters, a habitat restoration business. Eventually, I was asked to come to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) in Pendleton to help them start their own native plant nursery. If you ever visit the Tamastlikt cultural center, you can watch a movie where my younger self is direct-

ing their youth in the restoration of Wildhorse creek.

Recently, a local gardening club met me in the “Teaching Library” of our South Fork Grange. There, I guided a group of folks into the books pertaining to the Native plant world. Plants with names like Ocean Spray, Blue-eyed Mary, Grass Widow, Twin-berry, Fireweed, Bitter Cherry, Camas, Blue-bunch Wheatgrass, and Idaho Fescue.

Look around your communities.... from the low coastal lands and across Oregon's biotic/life zones, there are hundreds of locally adapted native plants to bring into your home landscapes. All are adapted to their local environments, and support the wild creatures who evolved within these plant communities.

Perhaps it is time to move away from water demanding plants, and to re-introduce your local plant communities' treasures into your own back yards. Take a trip to your local libraries, bookstores and plant nurseries. Explore your local wild lands.

Pick some chokecherry fruit for a great jelly...but save the seed to plant out in your garden beds this fall!



Above: Courtney Croy, Spencer Creek Grange Lecturer introduces the speakers at their April Open House.

Spencer Creek Holds Open House

Spencer Creek Grange #855, Lane County, held its first Open House since prior to the pandemic. The Grange wanted to focus on a topic of interest for the immediate community which was land management. The invited guest speakers from the Oregon Department of Forestry were Brian Peterson and his supervisor, Chet. Also speaking was Mike Gilkison from Gilkison & Dad, Inc., a local logging company. They answered questions from the community and gave helpful information about local land and forest management. Some other topics addressed were reforestation, fire prevention, and seedling survival. The Grange was excited to be able to invite the community into their

Grange hall again. Refreshments were served and socializing occurred. It was wonderful!



Community Service Involvement

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OSG Community Service/Involvement Director



Making a difference in the Community, that's what Grangers do.

The 2022 Oregon State Grange Convention is just around the corner. So far, I have received 58 Annual Community Service/Involvement Reports for 2021. In addition to the report, gather your community service information and put it in a notebook to share with everyone at State Convention. This not only gives your Grange a great record to look back on, but is fantastic to share with other Granges and at your community events. Thank you.

Here are some examples from Granges that have done remarkable things with just a few members.

Publicity: *(Used to generate interest and enthusiasm)*

Facebook, Local Newspaper, Radio, Coordinating with Other Community Organizations

Benefit To The Local Community:
To bring unity and/or donations to nonprofits.

Bring arts and social interactions using the Grange as a vehicle

Description Of Projects:

Comedy Show for the food bank
Picking up trash along the highway
Food drive
Taking care of local cemetery
Holiday food baskets

2022 State Convention

Remember to nominate your local Law Enforcement Officer, Firefighter and Teacher for this Year's Awards. Check out the State and National Websites for ideas and information.

See you at state convention in Talent.



L-r: Clarrann and Derrell Witty of Hurricane Creek Grange #608 wrapping silverware at the Community Connections of Wallowa County Meal Site

Hurricane Creek Members Volunteer

March 11, 2022 found Derrell and Clarrann Witty of Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Wallowa County, volunteering at Community Connections of Wallowa County (CCON) Meal Site. This time they were kept busy wrapping silverware in paper

napkins. The (CCON) is home to the senior meal program as well as the meals on Wheels. They serve Wallowa County adults over age 60 and their spouses, a hot, nutritious meal up to five days a week at their senior centers.

Seeking Talent Submissions and Testimonials!

Grangers of all ages are welcome to submit a video of a talent or testimonial about your Grange Youth/Junior experience, to be a part of our 2nd Annual Virtual Telethon! Submissions must be received by July 1. Send to: youth@nationalgrange.org Questions? Reach out to Mandy or Sam!

Virtual Telethon July 9, 2022

Applications Now Open

National Grange Communication Fellows
at the 2022 National Grange Convention in Sparks, Nevada
Application available at bit.ly/commfellows22

Applications Open for 2022 Communication Fellows in Sparks

The National Grange Communications Department invites you to apply to be part of the 2022 class of Communication Fellows at the 156th Annual National Grange Convention in Sparks, Nevada. This opportunity is made possible thanks to generous funders, but there are very limited spots available.

Who can be a fellow? The program is open to any Grange member in good standing that is nominated*. Fellows will learn aspects of communications, including press release writing, newsletter planning and creation, interacting with the media, live streaming, social media management, video creation and more. Over the years, this program has grown to include additional training for rising Grange leaders, with a special focus on the intersections of programming, membership recruitment, retention and engagement, and communications.

Those who become Fellows are expected to make time for at least three hour-long orientation/training teleconferences that will be held at least once a month starting in August and running through October, as well as a few brief assignments or projects prior to the start of the National Convention.

Throughout the program, participants receive an 8-night stay at the convention hotel, free registration, and most meals for the duration of the program. Participants are only responsible for the cost of travel and a few meals. Fellows are encouraged to bring a small amount of money for snacks, personal items and souvenirs they wish to purchase during their time at the convention. If Fellows arrive prior to the start of the program housing date or stay after the end of the program housing date, they are also responsible for any lodging cost with the hotel. **Fellows must arrive at the hotel in Sparks by no later than 10am on Saturday, November 12** and can leave anytime after the close of the Celebration Banquet on Saturday, November 19 (10 p.m.) [it is recommended you plan to depart on Sunday, Nov. 20].

Fellows will hear and learn from the National President, National Grange Staff and Officers, former Communications Fellows, other communications professionals and more. Fellows will produce content for the daily convention newsletter Patrons Chain, interviews and content for our social media channels, stories/elements for Good Day! magazine, live stream events - and much more.

This hands-on training happens with support from many of the previous Fellows who have participated in the program since 2012. Former Fellows now hold many significant offices and jobs in their State and National Grange and often credit the program with providing them insight into the differences across State Granges and the opportunities and challenges to the organization, as well as great motivation for being part of our next 155+ years of service.

State Presidents/National Delegates, National Grange Officers, National Grange Staff, and former Communication Fellows are permitted to nominate no more than two Grange members in good standing for the program.

In the past Oregon has had three Communications Fellows:

- 2014 – Suzy Ramm
- 2018 & 2019 – Maggie Swartzendruber
- 2019 – Lexie Suing

Feel free to talk to them about what is involved and if they would nominate you.

The application is available at: www.nationalgrange.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/04/2022-Communication-Fellows-Application.pdf

Completed applications including nomination letters must be received by the start of business on **July 8, 2022.**





A young lady watches intently as a marigold gets a drink.

It Was a Busy Weekend at Ag Fest

The 35th annual Oregon Ag Fest returned to the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem, Oregon April 23-24 and the Oregon State Grange was excited to again be 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 was located. A record attendance of over 21,000 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, as well as gave out seed packets so the kids and adults could plant a garden. A great learning experience!

A special Thank You to Vern and Paula Herrick of Walterville Grange who grew over 4200 marigold and tomato seedlings for the event. By Sunday most of the tomatoes had gone home with families and the marigolds were all gone before the end of the day. Also thank you to these Grangers who helped out at the Grange activity center during Ag Fest.

Thank You Ag Fest Volunteers

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

Ann Durrant	Katrina Bowser
Breanna Hays-McKay	Kelly McElroy
Cayla Catino	Liz Dehne
Cookie Trupp	Louise Holst
Courtney Croy	Marilyn Reiher
Dan Keeley	Mark Noah
Dan LeBrun	Phil Van Buren
Dean McKay	Rose Hope
Jan Medlock	Susan Noah
Jay Sexton	Suzy Ramm
Jeff Dehne	Talia Neely
Jill Van Buren	Tim Dehne
Jo Sutton	Toni Hoyman
JoAnn Keeley	Tyler Gordon
Joyce Parker	



Beanna Hays-McKay and her son Dean of Abernethy Grange helping.



Joyce Parker, Springwater Grange and Joann Keeley, Maplewood Grange, help youngsters plant the seedlings.

The Education Committee

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We are coming to the end of another school year and things are somewhat better for our school children. At least they are back in the classroom.

In the last two years the education committee has had a difficult time promoting programs that our Granges can participate in. Ag in the Classroom and Dictionary Project requires you to be able to go into the classroom and since schools were under Covid rules we were not able to participate in those pro-

grams. Some dictionaries were given out the first months of 2022. Oregon State Grange did sponsor Ag in the Classroom Literacy Project so we did help in that way. We did participate in Ag Fest at the Oregon State fairgrounds. We helped kids plant 4200 marigold plants and gave out seed packet so the kids and adults could plant a garden. A great learning experience!

Volunteer to work in your local schools. The kids will appreciate it and you'll have a great time.

Students Invited to Grow Pumpkins

Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County, celebrated Grange Month by inviting 4th graders at the Clackamas River, River Mill, and Colton Elementary Schools to plant pumpkins. The pumpkin seeds provided were for a pumpkin called 'Cinderella' made famous by the Disney movie Cinderella as the pumpkin that's turned into a carriage.

Students were invited to plant the pumpkin seeds, grow them over the summer and then bring them to a weigh-in at the Grange hall on Saturday, October 29th, at 3 p.m. just before the community Halloween party.

Prizes will be given to those with the heaviest weighing pumpkins from each school.

- First place \$50

- Second place \$30
- Third place \$20

Some information about the history, pounds of p u m p k i n s grown in the U.S, uses for



pumpkins along with planting directions were provided to the students. Once grown, the Grange encouraged everyone to then donate any pumpkin, they will not be eating themselves to the local food banks, or sell the pumpkins and donate the money to the local food banks.

Springwater Grange hopes the students have fun growing their pumpkins and looks forward to seeing them in October.



Tae-Kwon-Do Club Practices at McMinnville

McMinnville Grange #31, Yamhill County, was able to assist young students from a central Washington State Tae-Kwon-Do club on a Friday afternoon. The club needed a place to warm up before the big tournament on Saturday at the Evergreen Aviation Museum in McMinnville. The students ranged from ten to sixteen years of age and were competing for the first time in 2022.

The parents accompanied the young students on this trip to Oregon.

They were very appreciative for the opportunity to warm up out of the weather and in an area as nice as the McMinnville Grange gym floor.

All the parents encouraged their students to do their best and compete in as many tournaments as possible since the Covid-19 viruses had closed all the sport tournaments for the last eighteen months. Everyone attending the tournament was excited, both the participants and their families, since it was their first chance to compete in a long time.



Deaf Awareness and Family Health

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Challenges to Healthy Aging in Place: Part One Housing

Hello Grangers, and welcome to part one of our look at factors affecting healthy aging in America. Today we are examining the impact our lack of affordable housing has on our health, and why it is extremely challenging for older adults to maintain quality housing.

How important is housing to our overall health and wellbeing? The United Nations considers housing to be a basic human right, and not just the right to basic shelter, but to "adequate housing," yet all across the country, not just homeownership, but decent housing is an unobtainable goal for many.

A unique combination of population growth, soaring housing costs and a growing percentage of our population becoming older adults has led to a housing crisis that has blossomed into a public health crisis throughout all regions of the state. This lack of safe, affordable housing negatively affects all areas of a person's life and is particularly challenging to healthy aging in place. The number of ways that housing contributes toward our health is considerable and can be explained in terms of both direct and indirect affects and "hard" and "soft" impacts.¹

The direct "hard" effects that housing has on health are usually apparent. For example, in extreme temperature conditions inadequate housing can be related to cases of hypothermia, cardiac arrest and stroke. Dampness and mold lead to increased respiratory conditions caused by pests (insects and rodents), dust and other allergens. The symptoms associated with these conditions include asthma, aches and pains, nervousness and anxiety, diarrhea, and headaches and fevers. Children, older adults and those who are immunocompromised are especially affected.

Exposures to toxins and hazards leading to poisoning is also a direct impact of poor housing. The use of lead pipes for domestic water is linked to impaired neurological development. Carbon monoxide poisoning due to incomplete fuel combustion, incorrect installation of heating and cooking equipment and the use of cook stoves for heat are associated with headaches, nausea, dizziness and convulsions. In many cases, inadequate housing due to overcrowding can also greatly affect the rate of transmission of transmittable diseases including COVID. Finally, indoor air

pollutants such as radon are often present in older housing. Radon is a radioactive gas that is related to increased lung cancer, especially in households with secondhand smoke also present. Our stock of old, failing homes is literally killing us.

Direct 'soft' effects can be summed up by examining the meaning of home. As well as shelter from the elements, housing provides vital refuge in a social and psychological sense. The meaning of home provides what is called ontological security¹. This is the stable mental state that comes from a sense of continuity. Homes provide a source of constancy to our lives. They are the places where the rituals and routines of daily life are played out. They are where we feel the most in control of our lives and they serve as our secure base.

Both the direct and indirect effects of poor housing are felt most strongly by our most vulnerable populations, with older adults taking the largest brunt of it. A unique combination of population growth, soaring housing costs and an increasing number of older adults have led to a Devil's triangle of a housing abyss. Older adults generally have lower incomes than those of working age and their incomes continue to decline with age. According to the American Community Survey, in 2016 the yearly income of homeowners between the ages of 65 - 79 years was \$53,400 while the yearly income of those 80 and older was just \$35,000, and the number of older adults living with lower incomes is growing rapidly². The Joint Center for Housing at Harvard University estimates that by 2035 the nation will have 7.6 million very low-income older adult households.²

So what help is available for those struggling to find affordable and safe housing? The Oregon Housing Stability Council (OHSC) partners with homeownership centers across the state to offer housing counselors that can walk potential new homeowners through the financial preparation process, understand loan programs and to navigate the purchase process.

The OHSC counselors can also help potential renters looking for housing. Rental seekers can check the Affordable Housing List, by county. Potential renters can also contact the Community Action Agencies (CAAs) near them for a variety of programs serving low-income children, families and seniors. Those seeking housing assistance from

FOUNDATION BOARD

Oregon State Grange Foundation

Annual Meeting Sunday June 19th @ 12:30 pm

Following the Foundation Luncheon at the Oregon State Grange Convention at the Talent Middle School
Talent, Oregon

All fourth-degree members in Good Standing are invited to attend the annual meeting and vote on all matters brought before the attendees including the election of the District 6 Trustee and at-large Trustee position #2.

Winners of the Mary Helen Ramm and 'Muzzy' Mandel Scholarships will be announced along with reports from the President and Treasurer will be given.

Several GASS Awards will be presented to those in attendance.

Hurricane Creek Holds Open House

Over 100 visitors enjoyed free ice cream sundaes and banana splits Sunday, April 24, 2022 as Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Wallowa County, held an open house with an ice cream social to introduce more people to the Grange. The Grange had their completed tri-fold on display and people took a look at it.



these or other agencies can expect this process to be slower than usual. Subsidized housing assistance programs are experiencing longer wait lists. In recent years, the demand has grown greater than the number of housing units available.

The challenges for policy makers hoping to improve this situation are multiple, and while additional housing is desperately needed alternative forms of assistance that help to remediate or repair existing housing should also be considered, especially for rural areas where mass housing projects are unfeasible and, in many cases, unwelcome.

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Oregon Housing Stability Council <https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/homeownership/Pages/housing-counseling.aspx>

OHSC Affordable Housing List <https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/development/Documents/applicants-recipients/OHCS-Aff-Hsg-List.pdf>



149th

Annual Convention Oregon State Grange

June 18-23, 2021

**Talent Middle School
102 Christian Ave.
Talent, Oregon 97540**

Tentative Schedule ~ Oregon State Grange Convention

“Have fun in District 1”

Saturday, June 18

8 am	Set up facility		one not pre-registered. Degree tickets will be sold today, prior to the 5 th and 6 th degrees. Registration-Main Hallway
8:30 am	Ag Tour – Meet bus at the Talent Middle School at 8:30, bus leaves at 8:45 am - Lunch will be provided. Bus will return by 12:30 pm	8 am - Noon	GWA, Lecturer’s, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries accepted – Old Gym
11 am	Memorial-Worship Service Practice – Main Gym	9 am	Ceremonial opening in the 6 th Degree (State Officers line up 8:45) (then lowered to the 4 th degree) Main Gym Roll Call First Report of Credentials Committee Adoption of the Official Program
1 – 4 pm	Registration opens – Pre-registration required, name badges, packet and other information will be given on site. Main hallway Following days will have packets and name badges available for pre-registered attendees. There will only be limited registration for anyone not pre-registered. Degree tickets will be sold today and tomorrow prior to the 5 th and 6 th degrees.	9:30 am	Introduction of Host Committee Chair – Wayne Cabler Welcome to Talent Response by OSG Vice President, Jay Sexton Report of Division of Labor Committee Notice of Proposed By-Law Changes and late resolutions Introduction of Committee Chairmen 2022 Budget Committee Report
2 pm	GWA, Lecturer’s, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries accepted – Old Gym Junior talent, public speaking, and sign-a-song contestants must register in the Junior Room – Band Room Youth Public Speaking, Ritual and Sign-A-Song contestants must register with the State Youth Director.	11 am	State President’s Annual Address Assignment of portions of Annual Address by Division of Labor Committee State President’s Good of the Order Address Assignment of portions of Good of the Order Address by Division of Labor Committee.
3 pm	Fifth Degree practice – Main Gym		Closing in the Fourth Degree – OSG Vice President, Jay Sexton
4:30 pm	Talent contestants meet with State Lecturer; Public Speaking contestants meet with Youth Director – Main Gym	Noon	GWA, Lecturer’s, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries close and <i>area will be closed for judging</i> – Old Gym
5:30 pm	Kickoff Banquet – <i>All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion, State officers introduced.</i> - Cafeteria	Noon	Foundation Luncheon - <i>All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. Annual meeting of Foundation follows lunch. GASS Awards– Cafeteria</i>
7 pm	Talent Show, Adult and Junior, Public Speaking Contest – Main Gym Honor Grange awards Community Service – Volunteer of the Year award	1:30 pm	Youth Workshop - Hayes
9 pm	State Officers practice including Sixth Degree – Main Gym – closed to everyone except for the State Officers.	2-3:30 pm	Registration Open – 5 th and 6 th degree tickets on sale until 30 minutes before Degree begins – Registration–Main Hallway

Sunday, June 19

7:15 - 8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Gym	2:15 pm	Orientation for all delegates. New to the Convention? Come, ask questions, get involved, delegates & non-delegates invited – Main Gym
8 -9 am	Pre-registration required, name badges, packet and other information will be given on site. Registration-Main Hallway. Packets and name badges will be available for pre-registered attendees. There will only be limited registration for any-	3 pm	Committee Meetings - Main Gym (next to meeting room)
		4 pm	5 th Degree Exemplified by the District #1 and Friends
		5:30-7:30 pm	Dinner break – <i>Enjoy the area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange</i>



6-7 pm	Registration Open – 6 th degree tickets on sale until 30 minutes before Degree begins –Registration - Main Entryway	2 - 3:30 pm	Revitalizing the Pomona Grange – Presented by Leroy Watson, National Grange Ex Comm member, via Zoom
7:30 pm	6 th Degree – Oregon State Grange Officers – Officers present by 7 pm – Main Gym	5 - 7 pm	Dinner break – <i>Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i>
Monday, June 20			
7:15 - 8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Gym	7 pm	Session Reconvenes – Main Gym
7:30 - 8:45 am	GWA Craft Project - Hayes	9 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Wayne Cabler, District #1 Hosting Chair.
8 am – 9 am	Registration opens – Pre-registration required, name badges, packet and other information will be given on site. Main Entryway	Wednesday, June 22 <i>Wear Green to Support our Youth!</i>	
9 am	Memorial and Worship Service, under the direction of Paula Herrick State Chaplain – Main Gym	7:15 am	Youth Officers practice –Main Gym
10:30 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree (State Officers line up 10:15) – Main Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Sunday’s Journal Report of Credentials Committee Preferential Election Report	8 – 8:45 am	Legislative Conference - National President Betsy Huber – Her time on several FCC advisory Committees and her thoughts on representing the National Grange on the Hill.
Noon	Membership Luncheon – <i>All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. Membership awards will be presented.</i> –Cafeteria	8:30 am	Youth officer pictures
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Main Gym Community Service Awards	8 – 9 am	Registration opens – Pre-registration required, name badges, packet and other information will be given on site.
4 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Jill Hamm, Josephine Pomona President	9 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree by State Youth Officers (Line up 8:45) – Main Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Tuesday’s Journal Report of Credentials Committee Resolutions,
4 - 6 pm	Final Election of State Officers – Hayes	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> – Cafeteria
4 - 6 pm	Dinner break – <i>Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i>	1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Main Gym
6 - 7:15 pm	Trade Show – Meet with the OSG Directors and see what each program offers. Materials and ideas to take back to your Grange – Main Gym (next to meeting room)	2 pm	Recognition of Past State Officers/Directors – Main Gym
7:30 pm	Kickoff of the 150 th year of Celebration including Grange Social Time & Dance. Recap of Membership growth, Refreshments in cafeteria and dancing in main gym hosted by the Youth Committee.	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-TBA
Tuesday, June 21 <i>Wear Red Tennis Shoes to Support our Juniors! Red, White and Blue Day to Honor our Veterans</i>			
6:30 - 8 am	Grange Benefits Breakfast – Complimentary – Phoenix Grange	7 pm	Silent auction closes Oral auction Session reconvenes Resolutions
7:15 -8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Gym	9 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree by Douglas Pomona President – John Fine
8 – 9 am	Registration opens – Pre-registration required, name badges, packet and other information will be given on site. Registration–Main Hallway	Entries in the GWA, Lecturers, Youth and Junior contests may be picked up following the closing.	Thursday, June 23
8 – 9:30 am	Office Workshop – Quarterly Reports, Life Membership, Record Keeping – Hayes	8 am	Pick up entries in the GWA, Lecturer, Youth and Junior contests – Old Gym
10 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree (State Officers line up 9:45) –Main Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Monday’s Journal Report of Credentials Committee OSG (Retiring) Attorney – Nancy Murray	9 am	Opening in the 4 th Degree (State Officers line up 8:45 am) – Main Gym Roll Call Reading and adopting Wednesday’s Journal Final report of Credentials Committee Resolutions - continued
10:30 am	Presentation by State Junior Grange, Presentation of Junior Obligation – Main Gym Resolutions	10:30 am	Thank you to District #1
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> – Cafeteria	11 am	Invitation by District #2 to visit in 2023
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Main Gym	Noon	Lunch break - <i>Enjoy the area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.</i>
1:30 pm	Tribute to Grange Veterans –Main Gym	1:30 pm	Installation of 2022-2024 State Officers All other unfinished business
		4 pm	Closing in Fourth Degree – OSG President (or when finished)

See you next year in District #2

149th Oregon State Grange Convention

Tentative Youth & Young Adults Schedule - Supplement to main schedule

Saturday, June 18

1 pm	Sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, and Youth contest entries accepted – Display Area Registration for the Public Speaking Contest and Sign- a-Song - Lobby
4:30 pm	Talent contestants meet with State Lecturer; Public Speaking contestants meet with Youth Director –
5 pm	Close table for evening
5:30 pm	Kickoff Banquet - <i>State Youth Officers see the Youth Director for your pre-arranged tickets.</i>
7 pm	Talent Show, Public Speaking, and Sign-a-Song –
9 pm	Get to know you and Workshop - Grace Hays

Sunday, June 19

7:15 - 8:15 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall
8 am - noon	Sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets
9 am	Oregon State Grange opens in the 6 th Degree, then low- ers to 4 th Degree - Main Hall Youth in session
Noon	Close table for lunch Foundation Luncheon - <i>All members welcome with tick- et - Dining Area</i>
1:30 pm	Workshop - Breanna McKay
2 - 4 pm	Sell notebooks, accept and sell Goodie Basket tickets
2:15 pm	Orientation for delegates - Main Hall
4 pm	5 th Degree – Main Hall
5:30 pm	Dinner for youth/ Daily Check in
7:30 pm	6 th Degree – Oregon State Grange Officers - Main Hall

Monday, June 20

7:15 - 8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall - Youth exit main hall promptly
9 am	Memorial/Worship Service - Main Hall
9 am	Sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets
10:30 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree - Main Hall
Noon	Close table for lunch Membership Luncheon - <i>All members welcome with ticket - Dining Area</i>
12:45 pm	Workshop - JC Junkman
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes - Main Hall (<i>Youth in Session</i>)
4 - 6 pm	Dinner break
5 pm	Dinner for youth/ Daily Check in
6 – 7:15 pm	Trade Show – Main Gym (next to meeting room)
7:45 pm	Come together at the Grange social and dance - Main Gym (next to meeting room)

Tuesday, June 21

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

6:30 - 8 am	Grange Benefits Breakfast – Complimentary – Phoenix Grange
7:15 - 8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall
8 am	Accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets
10:00 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree by State Officers - Main Hall Junior presentation
Noon	Close table for lunch - GWA Luncheon - <i>All members welcome with ticket - Dining Area</i>
12:45 pm	Workshop - Riley Reynolds
1:30 - 5pm	Accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes - Main Hall – Tribute to Grange Veterans
2 pm	Re-imagining / revitalizing our Pomonas - Leroy Watson, National Executive Committee
5 pm	Close table for evening
5:30 pm	Dinner for youth/ Daily Check in
7 pm	Session Reconvenes - Main Hall <i>Youth in Session</i>

Wednesday, June 22

7 - 8 am	Youth Officer Practice ~ LAST PRACTICE! - Main Hall
8:30 am	Youth officer pictures ~ <i>be dressed, have sash and be ready for flowers</i>
9 am	Oregon State Grange Youth Open Session! YEA - Main Hall OSG Y&YA Director's report
Noon	Youth Luncheon and "Goodie Basket" drawings - <i>All members welcome with ticket - Dining Area - THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK</i>

1:15 pm	Workshop - Lexie Suing
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes - Main Hall
3 pm	Youth outing / Community Service Project
5 - 7 pm	Dinner break
5 pm	Dinner for youth/ Daily Check in
5:15 - 6:45 pm	GROW Club No-Host Dinner – Please sign up – TBA.
7 pm	Session reconvenes - Main hall

Thursday, June 23

9 am	Count <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i> donations – box up to send with District 1 Granges
9 am	Opening of the last day of the 149th Oregon State Grange convention - Main Hall
Noon	Lunch Break
1:30 pm	Officer Installation 2022-2024 officers
4 pm	Closing in Fourth Degree – OSG President (or when finished)

82nd Oregon State Junior Grange Convention ~ Tentative Schedule

June 18 – June 23

Talent Middle School ~ Talent, Oregon

CHILDREN ARE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF PARENTS/GUARDIANS WHEN JUNIOR GRANGE IS NOT IN SESSION. Juniors do not pay registration fee but must register in order to participate in the Junior Room. 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 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 may be needed Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday. We do not have access to a pool, but there is a splash pad at Chuck Roberts Park in Talent.**

<u>SATURDAY June 18</u>			
8 – 8:30 am	Sign in at Junior Room for Juniors going on Ag Tour WITHOUT family adult. All others register during regular hours beginning 2 p.m. Saturday. Juniors whose family members are in Rosebud or Memorial Service practice need to arrive in time to join the tour.	1:25 pm 4 pm	Junior Room OPEN Junior Room CLOSED Break for dinner – Pick your child(ren) up no later than 4:05 pm.
8:30 am – 12:30 pm	Ag Tour, lunch provided. (MUST HAVE PRE-REGISTER BY JUNE 1)	6 -7 pm	Junior Room OPEN Visitors welcome to observe Junior activities during trade show.
12:50 pm	Junior Room OPEN		
2 pm	Sign up for Junior talent contests – Junior Room Junior contest entries accepted - Display Area	6:30-8:30 am 9:50 am	<u>TUESDAY June 25 – Red Kicks Day!</u> Grange Benefits Pancake Breakfast off-site. Junior Room OPEN
4:30 pm	Talent contestants meet with State Lecturer - Gym	10 am	Junior Grange meeting
5 pm	Junior Room CLOSED Pick up your child(ren) no later than 5:10 pm	12 pm	Junior Room CLOSED Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:05
5:30 pm	Kickoff Banquet. Preregister Juniors by family. Ticket price reimbursed by Junior Department.	1:20 pm	Junior Room OPEN
7 pm	Talent Contest	2:30 pm	Junior Grange presentation to session
	<u>SUNDAY June 19</u>		
8am – 12 pm	General registration open - Lobby Junior contest entries accepted - Display Area	5 pm	Junior Room CLOSED Please pick up your child(ren) no later than 5:05
8:50 am	Junior Room OPEN	6:50 pm	Junior Room OPEN (Quiet time.)
9 am	Junior Grange meeting.	9 pm	Junior Room CLOSED Please pick up your child(ren) no later than 9:05
12 noon	Junior Room CLOSED Lunch – Pick up your Juniors no later than 12:10 Junior contest entries close for Judging - Display area	9 am	<u>WEDNESDAY June 26</u> Juniors attend Youth opening with their families. After Youth opening, Juniors will be gathered to head to the Junior room.
12:45 pm	Junior leader will accompany children leaving Foundation Luncheon to the Junior room before business meeting begins.	10 am 12 pm	Junior Grange meeting Junior Room CLOSED Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:05 pm
1 pm	Junior Room OPEN		
5:30 pm	Junior Room family picnic. Since many family adults are on degree teams, the Junior room will remain open during the dinner break for an optional picnic dinner onsite. Please indicate on registration how many family members wish to attend. Juniors will have a quiet evening, but those who are awake will be able to view the Rosebud Drill and join family at the close of the 6 th degree for ice cream. Please pick up your children as soon as possible after the degree.	1:20 pm 1:30- 4 pm 5 pm	Junior Room OPEN Field Trip to Crater Rock Museum in Central Point. Junior Room CLOSED Dinner Break - Pick-up your Juniors no later than 5:10 pm
	<u>MONDAY June 20</u>		
8:50 am	Junior Room OPEN	8:50 am	<u>THURSDAY June 27</u> Junior Room OPEN Thursday is cleanup and pack-up day. The Junior Room will be open only as needed until noon or until session is closed.
9 am	Junior Grange meeting		
12 pm	Junior Room CLOSED Lunch – Pick-up your Juniors no later than 12:10		

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





GWA

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Wow, State Convention is right around the corner! I hope everyone is busy with baking, sewing or crafts in general. The GWA contests are open to all Grange members. If you have a friend or relative that is not a member but would like to submit an item for a contest, then be a sponsor! All items submitted must have a contest entry label attached. Please refer to the 2022 Contest Book for details.

New this year:

- Presentation Cases for Quilts of Valor
- Wall Hanging Quilt

Changed this year:

- "Potluck" has been divided into two categories; first is

fabric/yarn and second is wood, metal, and paper.

National Grange Quilt Block Contest

If you are sewing a block for the National Grange contest, it is a "Wonky Star" 12 ¼ unfinished size. Thanks to Scissortail Quilting Company, you will find the pattern at <https://bit.ly/22wonkystar> These National blocks may be entered in the State Convention contest and the winning block will be sent to National. All other blocks are kept by GWA and will be assembled into a quilt for 2023 Convention auction.

Everyone is encouraged to enter the contests! If you have any questions, please contact me.

GWA Contest Entries

Entries will be accepted on **Saturday June 18th from 2-5 pm** and **Sunday 8 am-noon** in the contest room at the Talent Middle School. Use the 2022 Awards, Contests and Scholarship guide for information.

DEADLINE EXTENDED TO SEPT 1ST!

LECTURER

2022 National Grange Quilt Block Contest
Sponsored by the National Lecturer

Wonky Star

ADULT, JUNIOR AND MEN'S DIVISIONS

Visit bit.ly/22QuiltBlock for all details and entry sheet

Star may be in any color family (solid or print) on white or light gray background. Final size - 12.5" unfinished.

Oregon Junior Grangers



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OSG Junior Director



Grange Convention News for Juniors

Will you be at the convention on Saturday morning?

One of my favorite things about our state convention is the Ag Tour. On Saturday morning before the convention really begins, we take a bus ride to learn about agriculture nearby. We've seen "pea-ola" growing outside Enterprise and visited fishing boats on the Coast. We've seen greenhouses for native plants being grown to restore creek banks and weird machinery that people have made themselves. Agriculture is old and modern at the same time. The people on the bus are usually fun to talk to as well.

If you're coming to the convention with a grownup who has a practice set for Saturday morning, please sign up for the Ag Tour. The Agriculture Director needs to know how many people are coming so we all get a seat on the bus, PLUS, they will give us lunch! And of course, you need to be there in time to get on the bus at 8:30.

If I know you're coming I can send you copies of the permission slip we need for you to do Junior activities without your grownup present. The official registration desk isn't open that early on Saturday, but we can make it work.

A Showcase for Young Writers, Artists, And Photographers

Contests using the theme of "Raised Right Here" offer cash prizes at the OSG convention. If you've taken a photo, drawn a picture, or written a story or poem that you like, it might already be a great entry for the contest. After all, you're being "raised right here" in your Grange family.

And it's easy to enter. You can bring or send your entry to the convention in your own hands, OR you can send it as an email attachment to my email address at the top of this column. Items sent to me should be emailed before June 10 to be sure I get them printed and ready to display at the convention. See the OSG Contests, Awards and Scholarships booklet for details about labeling your entry.

Junior Grange Activity Sheet

6- Blue
7- Black
8- Purple
9- Yellow

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Above: 40 pies were available for the oral auction.

Right: Stan Garboden, Goshen President, brought four pies for the auction then bought two pies to take home.

Goshen Holds Annual Pie Auction and Social

Goshen Grange #561, Lane County held their Pie Auction on March 12th and it was a huge success. Auctioneer Tim Dehne displayed a Grange talent for auctioning off 52 pies in



two hours. With donations, contributions, and money made from the pies, Goshen Grange made \$1245. This total was \$500 more than their last Pie Auction in 2020. The pie that brought in the most money was Dorothy Key's Peach Pie, while quite a few pies went for \$50. each. Brenda Hassler spent \$200 and Joe Holpuch spent almost \$150 on pies.

The social after the auction had a variety of pies to try and all the pies were delicious. Best pie was Linda Wetzell's Pecan Pie. 40 people were in attendance and everyone had a wonderful and exciting time.



Right: Liz Dehne from Walterville Grange #416 and Lou Ellen Lambert from Thurston Grange #853 helped cut pies for sampling during the social.



Government Affairs

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Lobbyist for the Oregon State Grange

Hello Grangers,

Here a little bit of information about the American BuildBack Plan. I hope it answers some of your questions as to what Oregon will receive from it.

President in Portland

President Joe Biden led a political pep rally Thursday, April 21, at Portland International Airport, which he called "a perfect example" of what the \$1 trillion legislation he signed last year can do to overhaul the nation's aging infrastructure.

The airport is already undergoing a \$2 billion modernization project, including a greatly expanded passenger terminal and a new mass timber roof that will be its crown jewel. The airport already has benefited from \$19 million in federal funds for runway work.

As Biden spoke to a crowd of elected officials and union workers inside a hangar at the Air National Guard base on the airport's southern edge, the airport was visible through the hangar's open door.

Biden said Portland International Airport is a perfect example of the need and opportunity to make progress.

Some in Oregon's congressional delegation talked about other big projects that could benefit from the new federal money — replacement bridges across the Columbia River connecting Portland and Vancouver, Washington, and the widening of Interstate 5 at the Rose Quarter interchange with Interstate 84.

Biden made no specific commitments. He did say that \$25 billion of the new money is earmarked for airports.

The Portland airport served nearly 20 million passengers in 2019 before dropping to seven million in 2020, due to the COVID-19 travel slump. The airport is on track to return to pre-pandemic passenger levels as early as this year. The Portland airport is also a major cargo hub, shipping 330,000 metric tons of goods.

According to World Economic Forum reports, the United States now ranks 13th in the quality of its infrastructure. Biden said the legislation is a start in changing that. "Here's the deal: It's been much too long since America has invested in our own airports, our ports and our rails. We haven't done it," he said. "We used to have the best infrastructure in the world. We stopped investing in ourselves. We stopped investing in our communities. We stopped investing in America. I know people are tired of hearing me say it. But this time, we are going to lead the world in investing in ourselves, in our nation and in our people. That is the place to start."

On the inflation woes that have hit the country, Biden blamed supply-chain problems exasperated by the COVID-19 epidemic, and gasoline prices. Before arriving in Portland, the president had linked gas price increases to the Russian invasion of Ukraine and worldwide sanctions against Russia.

Happy Trails



All Grangers are invited

OSG Legislative Forum Zoom Meeting

When: Wednesday, June 29 @ 7 pm PST
 Wednesday, July 27 @ 7 pm PDT

Where: Zoom

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

Contact: Legislative Director Mark Noah for login information
 marknoah00@gmail.com



Legislative Update

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OSG Legislative Director



Grange is all about participation, about being present ourselves and acknowledging the participation of others, whether or not we all agree. Our meetings function best when most of us are present in the room, and certainly our fundraisers and other activities depend on the presence of Grangers and their community. Grange membership is an ongoing lesson in participation, and we can all feel proud of the example we set for our communities. So, I hope everyone did in fact set the right example by voting in the Oregon primaries and will do so again in the November general election.

If you're like me, you're probably glad to be done with all the political advertising of primary season, and grumpy about the upcoming more-of-same leading to November. I'm especially fed up with hysterical fear-mongering that attempts to magnify the smallest detail to Mount Everest proportions in an attempt to panic me into voting for or against someone or something. The more extreme the tone, or statement, or pictures, the faster I tune it out. I don't think I'm the only one developing a resistance to these tactics.

I believe the antidote to all that emotion and drama is found in our Granges that are hosting candidate fairs and issue forums. We need to hear directly from office-seekers face to face, and we should be able to discuss issues in a civil and reasonable way. That's the Grange Way!

At the end of April, I was able to participate in the National Grange Fly-In at Washington, D.C. This event, organized by the National Grange Legislative Team, is a bit like an expanded version of our State Grange conferences but with a national focus, more speakers and an opportunity to visit Capitol Hill and possibly meet some of our congressional delegation.

On Monday morning we all participated in a discussion of issues the Grange is working on in Washington, including agriculture, food, rural affairs, broadband deployment,

healthcare and rural infrastructure. Legislative Director Burton Eller and Legislative Assistant Sean O'Neil had assembled an impressive list of speakers who addressed us Monday afternoon, including Associate Director of Public Engagement at the White House, Will McIntee, Grange President Betsy Huber and video presentations from Senator Debbie Stabenow and Representative Glenn Thompson.

Tuesday was our day to visit congressional offices, and in the evening this year's Champions of Rural America awards were recognized by the National Grange. Any member can attend the annual Fly-In and though you pay your own way, National Grange can usually identify reasonably priced accommodations along the Metro line and will help coordinate your visit. If you've never been there, it is well worth the time to connect first-hand with the National Grange legislative efforts and see Washington D.C.

We will continue with our Legislative Zoom Forums through the Summer and into the next session of the Oregon legislature. We're meeting on the 4th Wednesday of the month unless otherwise noted. June will be an 'as otherwise noted' because the 4th Wednesday is during the OSG convention in Talent, so instead we will be holding the Zoom on the fifth Wednesday, June 29th. The email list for these meetings is growing and everyone is welcome. Just let me know if you would like to add your email or that of your legislative chairman to our list so you are notified.

Speaking of the upcoming State Convention, National Grange President Betsy Huber will be our official visitor and she has agreed to give a presentation on Wednesday morning from 8-8:45 about her experiences visiting Capitol Hill, her participation as a member of the FCC's Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee and other involvement at the federal level. Be sure to check the Official Program for location specifics, and we'll see you in Talent.

Mapleton Received Their Display Board

On March 8, 2022 Linda Wetzell, State Musician and Brenda Hassler of Goshen Grange, visited the Mapleton Grange #584 to present the Tri-fold display board. Mapleton Grangers were very enthusiastic about getting materials they could use and educate other new members with.



Twenty-two Resolutions Assigned to Committees for State Convention

Twenty-two 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 2022 Oregon State Grange Convention in June.

You will notice a few resolutions with similar titles 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 another Subordinate Grange and words are changed before they adopted it.

Convention Committees will be meeting on Zoom prior to the convention to make their recommendations. Below is the list of titles for this year's resolutions.

Plans are to send committee meeting notices to each Community/Pomona President and other registered delegates. If you don't receive this list of Zoom meetings check with your Grange President. All members who would like a chance to address the committees may attend the meeting. Remember that only committee members assigned to each committee will be able to vote but others are welcome to attend.

By-Laws

- 9 Remove Energy Committee from Annual Roster Report
- 10 Reimburse Mileage for County Deputies
- 14 State Officer Nominations
- 15 Districts of the Oregon State Grange
- 17 County Deputy Mileage Reimbursement and Expenses
- 18 Oregon State Grange Session Committees
- 20 Oregon State Grange Roster
- 21 Realigning the Oregon State Grange Districts

Conservation

- 7 Conform to Federal legal Ruling Regarding CO2
- 13 Change Current Policy to include CO2 as Pollutant

Education and Health

- 1 Create an Oregon Forestry Academy
- 3 Care Providers and the Human Touch

Good of the Order

- 4 Standing Rule 12
- 8 Maintain Heritage Titles for Grange Officers
- 12 Peaceful Dialogue

Legislation

- 2 Property Tax Billing
- 6 Professional Certification of Service Dogs
- 16 Ranked Choice Voting

Transportation & Utilities

- 5 Keep natural Gas as an Alternative Energy Source

Veteran

- 11 Irrevocable Citizenship for Veterans of US Militarys
- 19 Veterans Preference for Low Income Housing
- 22 Irrevocable Citizenship for Veterans of US Military



Above: Dan Keeley, Maplewood Grange, tried to sell Oregon State Executive Committee members John Fine and Louise Holst as well as State Deputy Carol Everman on whatever his picture was.

Below: Joyce Parker, Springwater Grange, tried to interest David Junkman of Clarkes Grange, in the Grange as part of the difference in generations workshop



Amanda Brozana Rios, National Grange Membership/Leadership Director leading a workshop to about fifty Grangers in attendance.

Oregon's Grange Growth Summit

Amanda Brozana Rios, National Grange Membership/Leadership Director, lead a Grange Growth Summit for Oregon Grange members. Held at Sunnyside Grange in Clackamas County the end of March, Granges were encouraged to send representatives to this week-end event both leaders and "leaders on the horizon" to take part.

Civility and conflict resolution.

One of the most eye opening for attendees was the section on generational differences and how to use them to our advantage. Those that attended got a lot out of it and will be sharing with their Granges.

Discussions included Growing the Grange. Not just bringing in new members but in growing in all ways, through leadership, through activities and through education. We need to take care of the members we have and the members we want to join. It means articulating what is important in our Grange and what we can or should let go of. A healthy Grange is not just one who brings in new members it is one where all members can grow and flourish to their best potential.



OSG State Vice President Jay Sexton discussing Grange with JC Junkman of Clarkes Grange from two different generational view points.

Other conference topics included: Member Appreciation and cultivating a positive environment, How to tell your Grange story to others, The roots of our success and how to teach the values of the Grange and live them out loud, and



Celia Fox and Jacob Luttrell of Sunnyside Grange, cooking waffles for Sunday morning's breakfast.



Members from around the state gathered information to share with their Granges.



Membership Matters

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 OSG Membership Director

Finally, we have spring – well, if you can call light snow only twice a week spring. Actually, it has not been staying on the ground long and the grass is green and growing. So, it is spring in Wallowa County. I hope your Granges, like ours, are all enjoying a springtime of activities as well.

With new growth all around in spring and an increase in activities, may have been a reason that April was chosen as Grange Month. From a membership growth perspective, springtime is an excellent example of how becoming busy and active in the community can bring new growth to each Grange.

As I have had the opportunity to visit several Granges recently, a couple of related truths have become obvious. When a Grange is active in their community and has fun working together

on projects, the Grange is often growing and becoming revitalized. Each subordinate Grange finds often unique ways of meeting the needs of their community. The Granges that are growing their membership are also having fun in their fraternal fellowship as they work together.

So, my last comment is that our Oregon State Grange Convention in Talent is quickly approaching, we can expand that springtime of growth throughout the State of Oregon as we gather together to work on common projects and share in fun activities. As I have attended Grange meetings, I always encourage members to strive to attend the State convention to learn what programs others have been enjoying. Every month is not April, but with continued growth in fun activities, every month can be a Grange month.

The Sandy Grange Honors Member

On April 9th, The Sandy Grange #392, Clackamas County, member Jenna Kangiser celebrated 25 years of membership with the Grange. At the age of 13 1/2 her excitement of becoming a member was overwhelming; her grandmother Dorothy Balsley, and mother Ruth Kangiser, as well as all of the members were so proud of her that day. She had been coming to Grange before then with Dorothy and Ruth.

Over the years Jenna has held the office of Ceres, and is currently the Overseer. From the Sandy Mountain Festival to the Oktoberfest sweating in the curly fry booth, or any other task the Grange presented, no matter what it was she has al-

ways persevered! All at The Sandy Grange are so proud of the woman she has become!



Above: Clackamas County Deputy sister Joyce Parker presented Jenna with her 25-year pin. She was honored, sporting her grandmother's Grange jacket, she received the pin with pride and gratitude.

Left: Jenna peers over the cake baked in her honor.



Above: Sandi and Bob Ludi with son Greg, daughter Stacy and grandchildren.



Oregon State Legislative Director Mark Noah and OSG President Susan Noah congratulate Katherine Luttrell on 50 years of Grange membership.

Scholls Honors Long Time Member

On Saturday April 30th, Scholls Grange #338, Washington County, held a reception for Katherine Luttrell celebrating 50 years of Grange membership. Many Grangers were in attendance including past and present Oregon state officers and members of her family.



Sister Luttrell has served in many offices and positions during her Grange years including Washington-Yamhill Pomona President and County Deputy.

Past National and Oregon State Grange President Ed Luttrell with his mother Katherine Luttrell.

Cake and punch were served followed the presentation.

Sunnyside Grange Holds Open House

Sunnyside Grange #842, Clackamas County, held an Open House on Sunday, May 1 and presented several Membership Awards. There were many awards given as their open house in the spring of 2020 was cancelled due to Covid.

unable to attend.

One of the highlights of the afternoon was celebrating 70 years of membership with Brother Lee Schneider.

Oregon State Grange President, Susan Noah presented awards to Jacob Luttrell a Silver Star Certificate and pin for 25 years of membership, a 40-year seal to Lou Hekking, Golden Sheaf Certificates recognizing 50 years of continuous Grange membership to Cheryl Carmin and Celia Fox, who both also got 40-year seals, Jeanie Force, Kathy Hekking, Sandi Ludi, Allan Mackey and Martie Erwin.

Boring-Damascus Grange #260 joined in the festivities and presented Leonard Luttrell with his Golden Sheaf Award.

Additional certificates recognizing 20, 15, 10 and 5 years of membership were awarded to many members. The program included participation from the Girl Scouts and the Old Time Fiddlers, both of who use the Grange hall.

55-year seals were presented to Allan Mackey, Bob Force and Bob Ludi and a 25-year nonconsecutive award was presented to Linda Fox. Also receiving a Silver Star certificate was MaryAnn Hanks who was



Left: Leonard Luttrell with his grandson Jacob Luttrell.

Right: Brother Lee Schneider being recognized for 70 years of Grange membership by OSG President Susan Noah and Sunnyside President Sandi Ludi.



Redland Grange Works With Love One

The Redland Grange #796, Clackamas County, has a continuing commitment to the Redland community. Every Thursday Love One Community serves communities around Clackamas County by providing food and other services for families in need. The Redland Grange is proud to be the gathering location for serving the Redland community. Love One provides everything from bread, cereals, can goods, fresh

vegetables and diapers.

The amount of food provided is based on the previous week's numbers to ensure enough food and supplies are provided each week. Love One tracks not just the number of people being served but also the number of families and adults versus children. The food is provided by Clackamas Services and donations.

Grangers Invited to Lane County Fair

The Lane County Fair will be July 20th - 24th in Eugene, Oregon at the Lane County Fair Grounds. Wednesday, July 20th 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 20th. Copies of the coupon will not be acceptable. Please cut the coupon out of the Grange Bulletin and save it for July 20th.

(age 10 years and younger) who have a Dress Up Veggie or Fruit will get in FREE up to 1 pm on Grange Day, July 20th. The Grange displays will be located in the Wheeler Pavilion, west of the main fair entrance off 13th Ave.

For more information on displays and Contest Rules, please refer to the Lane Pomona Facebook page or call the Grange Fair Coordinators, Alice Nowicki (541) 228-8451 alice.nowicki@yahoo.com or Ken Schwieger at (541) 942-6148, ken.schwieger@gmail.com

On Grange Day, the Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair will sponsor a Veggie and Fruit Dress Up Contest. All contestants

See you at the Fair!

**LANE COUNTY FAIR
GRANGE DAY, JULY 20th, ONLY
ADMIT
TWO FOR THE PRICE
OF ONE**




**VISIT GRANGE
DISPLAYS
IN THE WHEELER
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GROW Club

"Go Right On Working"

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

As I mentioned in the December 2021/January 2022 issue of the Bulletin members of this 'club' have earned the right to membership through the honor of representing Oregon as Ambassadors of the Grange through different programs throughout the decades. Although the programs have changed over the years, the privilege and honor is only achieved by earning it.

In this issue I ask Jim and Sue Dumolt to write this column.

When Teresa asked if we could write a story about our time as Oregon State Grange Outstanding Young Couple in 1975, I thought, "Wow", that was a loooonng time ago!

Jim and I met at a Grange youth dance at Beaver Creek Grange in 1966. He was from Redland Grange in Clackamas County and freshly home from the service. I was a senior in high school from Kinton Grange in Washington County. A year and a half later we were married and very active at Redland Grange. About five years later we bought our dream "shack" in the Clarkes area and moved our family and membership to Clarkes Grange. We continued to be active on the local, county, and state levels of the Grange. After we finished a couple of years as State Youth Chairmen we were asked to run for Young Couple. It meant making an extensive scrapbook of our activities, but we did it anyway.

Winning the state competition meant that we got an expense paid trip to Columbus, Ohio to compete at the National Grange level. What an honor and blessing that trip was! Jeanne Dickson (Force) went with us as Oregon's Outstanding Young Granger to compete for National "Princess". We met wonderful people from around the nation. Then at the ceremony we were named National Young Couple and Jeanne was named runner-up Princess for the National Grange.

All three of us were automatically on the National Grange Youth Team where we learned additional leadership skills and got to go multiple places around the nation. When we went back to the National Grange Headquarters in Washington, D.C. we loved the tours of the Smithsonian, the National Art Gallery, and the many monuments. A dream come true for Jim and I was to be back in Philadelphia in 1976 and the 200th anniversary of 1776. We remember the Liberty Bell, the Declaration of Independence, and the Continental Congress meeting space. Being the National Young Couple was a lot of work but a ton of fun, too. Of course, we have to thank Margaret and Jim Clute who took care of our four children on six different weekends and a couple of weeks while we were galivanting around the country.

We did learn leadership skills and have continued in the Grange to use them. Jim is a 66-year member and Sue is a 60-year member. We love the Grange and its focus on community service. It has been a big part of our lives and our family's lives. We are currently a four generation Grange family.

Thank you for taking this little trip down memory lane with us. *Jim and Sue Dumolt*



Jim and Sue Dumolt in their gold sashes as 1975 National Young Couple.

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GRANGE MEMBERSHIP MAY CAUSE
PERSONAL HAPPINESS AND
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GRANGE FOUNDATION

Virtual
Telethon

JULY 9, 2022

Grange Youth & Young Adults

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



This issue's column is written by Lexie Suing, District 2 Youth Chair.

As we approach summer, the State youth committee has been busy prepping for various functions and projects throughout Oregon.

In April, several of the district Youth chairs met at the State headquarters to put together envelopes of Goodie Basket tickets to send to Subordinate/Community Granges. All proceeds from the sale of Goodie Basket tickets goes into the Youth Travel Fund for any representing youth to go to Western Regional conference and the National Grange convention. This could be an Ambassador, Outstanding Young Adult, National Youth Officer, or Grange Baseball contestant. We had a few left over to sell at convention last year and sold out! So, we printed more this year and hope to do it again! We will do the drawing for the Goodie Basket Tickets at State convention at our Youth luncheon on Wednesday.

We are still asking for donations for "Keeping the West Warm". We are asking for anything; hats, gloves and mittens, socks, scarves, etc. If you or someone you know can knit, crochet, or even has a couple dollars and happens to be going to Wal-Mart, any donation is greatly appreciated. All the donated items we receive at State convention will be going to local groups in district 1. If you have donations but don't know who is going to convention, please feel free to reach out to your District Youth Chair for help or information.

We hope to welcome many new faces and treasured friends at this year's Oregon State Grange Convention in Talent, Oregon.



Grange Young Adult Visits Creswell

Austin VanHouten, a member of Riversdale Grange #731 in Douglas County, presented a program on March 14th at Creswell Grange #496, Lane County on the 4-H and FFA programs and his involvement with them. Austin has been an Oregon 4-H Ambassador and received his FFA American Farmer Degree in November 2021.

Austin was accompanied by his grandfather, John Fine, also a member of Riversdale Grange and who serves in the Oregon State Grange Executive Committee Position #1. They enjoyed the potluck dinner before the program and meeting.



Austin VanHouten presenting his program at Creswell Grange.

Tentative Western Regional Schedule 2022

Friday	Check-in after 3 p.m.
Hotel	Hilton Garden Inn Eugene/Springfield 3528 Gateway Street, Springfield, OR, 97477
4-5:30 p.m.	Registration
6 p.m.	Dinner @ Walterville Grange 39259 Camp Creek Rd, Springfield, OR 97478
7 p.m.	Grange Baseball
Saturday	
8 a.m.	Breakfast at hotel with group
8:30 a.m. -12 noon	Workshops
12:15 p.m.	Lunch at hotel
1:45 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Workshops

Creating Connections Across State Lines



Eugene, Oregon
August 5-7, 2022

Hotel - Hilton Garden Inn - Room Cost \$129.00 plus tax.
Registration - \$90.00 - Includes meals and conference materials
Registration Form and Schedule: osg.youth@gmail.com
For more information email: osg.youth@gmail.com

Registration Due July 15, 2022

2022 Western Regional Conference Registration Form

Name _____ Age _____
Subordinate Member _____ Junior Member _____ Non member _____
Address _____ City, State, Zip _____
Phone (____) _____ Email address _____
Are there any health conditions/dietary restrictions we should be aware of? _____

Check the contests/events you plan to participate in.
____ Sign-A-Song _____ Individual (indicate level) _____ Group (All levels)
Level _____ (Junior OR novice, hobbyist, expert)
Speech (you may compete in more than one category) Prepared _____ Impromptu Speech _____ Radio Spot
Grange Baseball _____ (Youth) _____ (Junior)

Hilton Garden Inn
3528 Gateway St. Springfield, OR 97477
(541) 736-3000

Rooms are \$129.00 plus 11% tax per night.
Register under Oregon State Grange BY JULY 15 TO RECEIVE DISCOUNTED RATE.
Registration \$90.00 per person (includes meals and conference materials)
Pay to the Oregon State Grange (Checks - No Credit Cards)
Make checks payable to the Oregon State Grange
Mail with registration form to: Oregon State Grange - 643 Union Street NE Salem, OR 97301

If you are under 18, please have your parent/guardian complete the following:
I authorize _____ to participate in all activities. I DO NOT (circle one) them to be photographed or recorded. Photos and recordings may be used on Grange social media.
Emergency Contact name _____
Relationship _____ Phone (____) _____

Questions? Contact JC Junkman at osg.youth@gmail.com

Saturday - continued

6 p.m.	Dinner at hotel followed by National Youth/Junior Contests (Sign-a-Song, Public Speaking, etc)
8:15 p.m.	Fun Activity
Sunday	
8 a.m.	Breakfast at hotel with group
8:30 a.m.	Spiritual and reflection time Wrap up
12 noon	Check-out

OSG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - March 27, 2022

The meeting was called to order at 1:10pm at Sunnyside Grange by President Susan Noah. Members present were Jay Sexton, John Fine, Sam Keator, Louise Holst, and Sarah Kingsborough-Jenkins.

Minutes from the previous meeting on January 29, 2022 were reviewed and approved.

Membership reports and financials were reviewed. Membership reports show a net gain of 96 members thus far with first quarter reports.

New Business

- Grant Committee recommendations for grants were reviewed. A total of \$34,296.75 was approved.
 - John moved to adopt the committee recommendations and approve the following grant proposals. Jay seconded the motion. Jay moved to amend the motion to approve Pine Valley Grange's grant request. Sarah seconded the amendment, and the motion to amend passed 4-2. The motion, as amended, was unanimously approved.
 - Fernwood Grange. \$5,000. Kitchen Remodel. Recommend denial for incomplete app.
 - Harding Grange. \$5,000. Trees, parking. Recommend approval.
 - Irving Grange. \$5,000. HVAC. Recommend approval.
 - Live Oak Grange. \$5,000. Paint & remove asbestos. Recommend approval.
 - Myrtle Creek Grange. \$5,000. Gutters, paint & upkeep. Recommend approval.
 - North Bayside Grange. \$5,000. Stairwell and landing. Recommend denial for incomplete app.
 - Pine Valley Grange. \$2,000. Exterior Paint. Recommend denial for incomplete app. The executive committee determined that this should be approved to allow Pine Valley to take advantage of good weather for their painting project.
 - Scholls Grange. \$5,000. Exterior repairs. Recommend denial for incomplete app.
 - Spencer Creek Grange. \$3,603. Entrance & Door. Recommend approval.
 - Spray Grange. \$850. Storage Room. Recommend approval.
- Triangle Grange. \$2,843.75. Replace flooring. Recommend approval.
- Washington Grange. \$5,000. Roof replacement. Recommend approval.
- Keizer Grange. A proposal has been received from Clutch Industries to purchase the property.
 - Sarah moved that we accept the cash offer of \$275,000 to purchase the property of Keizer Grange. Sam seconded and the motion passed.
- Rogue Grange. Curry County Sheriff's Office shared that the dormant Grange hall has had some criminal mischief. They are also interested in using the property for police training.
 - Jay moved that we express interest in cooperating with the Curry County Sheriff's Office and discuss building usage and insurance. Sam seconded and the motion passed.

Decisions made via email since the last meeting were reviewed.

- John moved to ratify the decisions made via email since our last meeting. Jay seconded and the motion passed.
- Approval of withdrawal of \$6,000 in Custodial Funds for Kinton Grange for insulation and fan.
- Approval of withdrawal of \$1,034 in custodial funds for Springwater Grange for new refrigerator.
- Approval for Eagle Valley Grange to sell their old hall which is no longer in use.
- Approval for the state Grange office to purchase a new router and install a VPN.
- Approval for Tigard Grange to accept the proposal from ODOT for a small portion of their property and a temporary easement.
- Unanimous vote for Paula Herrick to fill the remaining term of State Chaplain. Randi Embree resigned.
- Unanimous vote to allow only in-person voting for State officers by the delegates at state session.

Next meeting scheduled for Saturday May 21, 2022 at 9am.

Meeting adjourned at 2:00pm.

Sarah Kingsborough-Jenkins,
OSG Secretary



OSG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - April 5, 2022

The Zoom meeting was called to order at 8:06 by Susan Noah, President. Also present were Vice President Jay Sexton, Secretary Sarah Kingsborough-Jenkins and Executive Committee members John Fine, Sam Keator and Louise Holst. Susan offered to take minutes as Sarah was on the road home.

Meeting was held to discuss Western Regional to be held this August in Oregon, possible rental or sale of High Desert Grange Hall and a new loan to Irving Grange.

Following discussion, Sam moved that we subsidize the Western Regional conference up to \$5,000, John seconded and the motion was carried.

Irving Grange has requested a loan in the amount of \$13,261, which they wish to make quarterly payments on over a four-year term. Jay moved and Louise seconded, to offer a loan to Irving in the amount of \$13,261 at 5% for four years with a quarterly payment of not more than \$920.00. Motion was carried.

High Desert Grange – Bend area Eastern Orthodox Church is interested in a lease or purchase. Discussion started with leasing and what we would need in the form of insurance on the building, both fire and liability. Damage depos-

it would also be asked for. Susan mentioned the problems with reorganization if we do not have mentors in the area, and that if we lease out the building, we would not have it available for any possible reorganization so does it make more sense to sell since we have not had any real interest in reorganization. Overall consensus was to sell rather than try to act as a property manager. Perhaps get a six-month lease while we get a valuation of the property. Sarah mentioned that she may have contacts in the area in real estate that Susan could contact.

The idea of a bus to the National convention this November in Sparks was brought up. The Western Region Hosting committee is hopeful of at least 100 candidates from each of the Western States for the 7th degree, and our members have inquired about possible transportation. John suggested that we might check with Moffitt Brothers, a charter bus company with a home base in Lostine. Possibly start in the North Eastern part of the state, continue down I-5 picking up passengers along the way. Susan will look into the logistics and costs.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10 pm.

Respectively Submitted
Susan Noah



550 children all lined up to find Easter eggs.

Redland Grange and OC Soccer Club Partner for Easter Egg Hunt

Redland Grange #796, Clackamas County, held their second annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday the 16th of April. This event was put on free of charge for the children of the Redland Community. It was a great success with more than 550 children hunting for 150 prizes and 6500+ stuffed eggs! While the children waited for the hunt to begin, they could have their picture taken with the Easter Bunny and baby Jacob lambs. The lambs were provided by Just Bee Farms.



Above: A young hunter with basket in hand takes off to find some eggs.

The Redland Grange partnered with the Oregon City Soccer Club at their ball fields, between the two organizations there were eighteen volunteers who endured rain, snow, hail and thunder to prepare for the hunt! A half hour before the hunt, the sun was shining high. The hunt started promptly at 3 pm and lasted a minute and a half. Fun was had by all!

Below: The soccer field was covered with both eggs and hunters.



Santiam Valley Holds Easter Egg Hunt

Santiam Valley Grange #828, Linn County, held its annual Easter Egg Hunt, with help from the Easter Bunny and volunteers in the community. 1200 hard-boiled eggs were hidden and about 150 children showed up to hunt ranging from one to twelve years of age.



A rainbow of color shows off on the 1200 eggs waiting for Santiam Valley's Easter egg hunt.

Breakfast With the Easter Bunny

The Hurricane Creek Grange #608, Willowa County, hosted Breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday April 9, 2022. Attendance was triple that of their regular participa-

tion. The children enjoyed hanging out with Grange member Mary Kay Pace, the Easter Bunny on Saturday April 9, 2022. Attendance was triple that of their regular participa-



L-R Grange members Barbara McCormack, Darlene Stephens and Mary Kay Pace "alias" Easter Bunny.

McMinnville Cleans Up Around Grange Hall After Winter Storms

The McMinnville Grange #31, Yamhill County, is surrounded by tall fir trees, which makes for a beautiful setting for the Grange and those that want to rent it. However, every fall and spring a crew is required to go out on the grounds between the trees and pick up all the debris from the trees that came down during the foul weather in the

fall and winter. This year the four-person crew consisted of Don King, Theresa and Wayne Clemmer, and Gene Restorff. It was about a six-hour project that ended up getting unloaded at the Clemmer timber farm on one of their slash piles and burned. It was a full trailer load.



McMinnville members of Don King, Wayne Clemmer, and Gene Restorff with a trailer load of branches.

Your Name: _____ Moving? Let Us Know.

Old Address: _____ New Address: _____

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

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Grange Name/Number: _____

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

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