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# National Grange Youth and Young Adult and Junior Directors to Attend Oregons State Convention

Youth and Young Adult Director Charlene M. Shupp Espenshade is one of two National Grange Directors invited to attend the 2018 Oregon State Convention.

Sister Charlene is a member of the Elizabethtown Area Grange and Oriental Grange in Pennsylvania. A fourth-generation dairy farmer, Charlene and her husband Matthew reside on a dairy farm in Elizabethtown, Pennsylvania. They have two children, Evan and Alan. Espenshade is employed at Lancaster Farming, an agricultural newspaper, as the special sections



editor. She has a bachelor of science in dairy science and minor in communications from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Charlene joined Grange in 1994 at the encouragement of a cousin, taking the degrees with her parents and brother. She is a fourth generation Grange member. She and her husband were Pennsylvania Grange Young Couple. Espenshade believes that the benefit of a Grange membership is that the organization offers a wide variety of programs allowing youth to pursue their interests. It is an organization that grows with the Granger, and they grow in the organization. She has been Y&YA Director since 2011.

Oregon looks forward to her leadership and input into our Youth and Young Adults program. She will be arriving in Oregon following the Great Plains

Regional Conference held June 22 – 24 in Grand Island, Nebraska.



National Grange Junior Grange Director Samantha Wilkins of San Antonio, Texas will be visiting Oregon for the first time.

Samantha became a Grange member as a Junior Granger and has stayed an active participant within the Grange. She is a member of Alamo Grange #1446 and is currently serving on the Texas State Grange Executive Committee and as the State Junior Grange Director.

Samantha is a 2009 graduate from Howard Payne University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Theatre and Communication Studies. She is a mom to four amazing boys age eleven and under. She is thankful to her wonderfully supportive husband, Glenn Wilkins, who has put up with her and all of her endeavors. She was named National Grange Junior Director in November 2016.



# District 3 Welcomes the Oregon State Grange to Astoria

District #3 selected "Rediscover the Grange at the end of the Trail" as the theme of this year's State Grange Convention. Since the Astoria area was the terminus of Lewis and Clark's expedition, it is full of history (Fort Clatsop, Columbia River Maritime Museum, Astoria Column, etc.). Adventure abounds too: hiking trails, ziplining, and filming locations for "The Goonies."

The convention site is the Clatsop County Fair and Expo, 92937 Walluski Loop, which is three miles from Astoria. In 1994, Clatsop County moved their fair to the old John Jacob Astor Experiment State, which had also been used as the Clatsop Community College farm. How appropriate to hold the Grange convention on a farm?

The convention begins on Saturday, June 23 and runs through Thursday, June 28th. Can't get away that many days? No problem. You will find the schedule starting on page 11 of this issue. If you are bringing your kids or grandkids, check the schedules specifically for Youth/Young Adults and Juniors on pages 13-14.

Didn't order meal tickets by the June 1 deadline? No problem. You can buy salad bar tickets at registration and create a filling salad. The Youth will have the Concession Stand open the same hours as registration. They will sell a variety of snacks, as well as breakfast in a bag. A couple of restaurants are

District #3 selected "Rediscover the close by on the way into downtown Grange at the end of the Trail" as the Astoria.

#### What's New This Year?

The convention will follow a similar format to last year's with two new events:

- ▼ The Veteran's Committee is having a pre-convention tour on Friday afternoon June 22. See Jim Clute's column on page 19 for destination details and how to sign up.
- Each of the State Grange standing committees and the Communications team will have a table at a Trade Show in the Arena on Monday evening from 6-7:30 pm. This will be an opportunity for the committee to share information about their programs. It will also provide you a chance to meet the Director and committee members, ask questions and share information and ideas. For many committees the Trade Show will replace their early morning conference at a much more reasonable hour.

#### Need babysitting? A place to stay?

Babysitting may be available only if requested in advance. Contact Eva at 503-816-8904.

If you didn't make a reservation and now can't find a room you can afford, RV or tent camping is available at the fairgrounds. Call Eva at 503-816-8904.

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# The Master's Column

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President ~ Oregon State Grange

This has been a really busy year so far! We have wrapped up the GrangeUp program and have kicked off Grange Connections, the next step in continuing the growth we started in 2017. We have had information booths at Ag Fest, FFA and the Small Farms conference. The traveling library display finished up with a huge display at the Multnomah Central Library, and I have finished presenting the Grange 101 conference at thirteen different Granges. So, a lot has been going on in all parts of the state, and this is just from the State Grange! I know our community Granges have also been very, very busy!

#### Visitations

I especially want to give a shout out to Clackamas County where they really took the *Grange Connections* visitations to heart. First one Grange visited a second, then those two visited a third, then the three of them visited a fourth and they are still going strong! While, in Lane County they have a traveling gravel to grab during their visitations, so each area is approaching this in their own fashion. I'm so happy that this part of the Connections agenda is happening.

We are so much stronger together, which means we can accomplish more by working together. Remember, if you have three people from your Grange visit another Grange and you send in that information to me, either at the mailing address, or at master@orgrange.org, your Grange and the one you visited will both be placed in a drawing for a basket of promotional items to be drawn at State Convention, and a second one will be drawn in December for

visitations between July and November.

#### Food Bank

Just prior to State Convention we plan to issue a press release regarding the Granges' efforts this summer to support their local food banks through the Grange Connections program. As the oldest agricultural organization in the US who better to promote awareness of the food crisis in our country than the Grange, and who better to help those in need? I have just spent some time looking at a variety of county/community food bank websites and each one I opened had various ways that an organization can help out, as well as lists of the needed food items, and donation information for cash donors Make sure your Grange hosts some sort of event this summer for the food bank near you. Many of you are already raising money or collecting food items for a food bank so this program can fit right in with what you are already doing. I want our Community Granges to be seen for the great example they are when it comes to service for the community.

#### **State Convention**

Our annual convention will be here in a few short weeks, and I hope that your Grange will be represented by two delegates. This is where we set the policy for the year, and where we can make changes to our structure. It is where our members come together to exchange ideas, to learn new things and to renew friendships. It is what revitalizes our "Grange" soul. I always come away from any gathering of my Grange



What do Masters do during a break at the GIA annual meeting? Check their phones. Left to right: Tom Gwin, Washington State Grange Master, Betsy Huber, National Grange Master and Oregon State Grange Master Susan Noah.



Master Susan Noah helping with planting at AG Fest.

amily with a better outlook, and ready to go back to work to make sure my own Grange is received well in my community.

This year our Directors have agreed to a "trade show" style format instead of many of the usual conferences. They have agreed to present new ideas to help your Grange grow in size and in the community. We will also have a demonstration of the Welcoming Ceremony and Draping the Charter as well as information on balloting for new members.

Sunday morning, we will be joined by the Executive Director of Ag in the Classroom, Jessica Jansen who will present an early morning workshop on their program. The State Grange will be trying to partner more with this group to increase the awareness of agriculture and to promote education.

Also, new this year is a fundraiser lunch on Saturday for the Junior program. They will be serving hamburgers just before the first four degrees are exemplified so hoprfully you have bought your ticket and support the Juniors, and then stay for the dessert of watching the first four degrees under the direction of Jim Dumolt. Jim and all the volunteers who help with the degrees do a great job and seeing it at least once a year helps to reinforce our culture and to remind us of the great lessons we have within our ritual.

A few new things were added to the convention, but lots of familiar parts will be there as well: resolutions, Youth and Junior presentations, lots of crafts, photos and art, banquets and fun! Put Astoria on your map for the end of June and "Rediscover the Grange at the End of the Trail!"



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Above: Goshen Grange performing "Looking for Mrs. Rogers. Actors in their play were Priscilla Phillips, Linda Litts, Hollie Kelley, Gary Prichard, Brendan Crabtree, and Emily Russell.

# **Lots of Laughs Heard During** Lane Pomona Play Festival

The Lane County Pomona Play festival is now in the books for this year; the last chapter was Friday, May 11th with plays at Creswell Grange performed by Creswell, Goshen, and Crow Granges. Over the three-week run there were twenty-seven performences, three each night at nine different Grange halls. Granges participating in the festival were Creswell, Crow, Dorena, Goldson, Goshen, Irving, Jasper, Mohawk-McKenzie and Walterville. Attendance was good at all the performances and lots of laughs were shared.



Above: Crow Grange performed "Waiting for Dr. Pain" with Lexie and Connie Suing.



Left: Creswell Grange performed "When You Gotta Go, You Gotta Go." Cast included Vickie Weathers, Tom Pearson, Stan Garboden, and Dottie Jennings.

# Springwater Players Try Something "New and Different"

In April the Springwater Players 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> and a matinee on Sunday of Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County, presented "A Good Old Variety Show" instead of the plays they have done in the past. This year, the group tapped into the life experiences and talents within their own ranks. The show included skits, dance, comedy, radio ads and more mostly written by the actors. The show had a three-performance run Friday and Saturday nights April



Below: Jessie Jo Guttridge performing in the skit she wrote "The Villains Strikes Back."

April 8th.

Since this was Grange Month Ramm's radio ad celebrating 150 Years of Grange. This wasn't the only ad. Through the event, radio-style advertisements for other events at the Springwater Grange popped up between acts.

Skits in the show focused on many different scenarios, including a difficult trip to the DMV, waiting for a YouTube video to load and a

the show kicked of with Suzy



# The

# Lecturer's Column

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Lecturer ~ Oregon State Grange

There's still time to take photos, print, mat and get them to Astoria by June 23rd. Time to paint a stream or mountain meadow scene sign it, let it dry and get it to the contest table. Time to remember that awesome significant event in your life and write that story. Time is a precious commodity in life and we must learn to dispense it wisely. Energy is also a precious commodity which goes hand in hand with time. When we have both time and energy we are somewhat unstoppable. So, Brothers and Sisters, expend a little of both and fill all the tables in the Lecturers exhibit area in Astoria in

As we give our time and energy to our Grange families let's remember to keep connecting in our communities and expand these families. We could all use a couple extra hands in our halls.

As the Bulletin hits your mail boxes

the first week of June, I will be heading home from Germany. I will have gone to visit Tamra Helm Mishler, Christopher, Avri and Tony Mishler and Qiana Helm and her gentleman friend Cody at Ramstein Air Force Base. Tamra and Qiana have been involved in Grange for over twenty years. You'll have to ask me about side trips over there as they are surprises.

Also, on our traveling agenda was a trip to Iowa to attend Wayne Cabler's grandson's high school graduation on May 13th. The celebration likened to a huge Grange potluck with over 100 people attending and all from a very close-knit community taking care of each other.

Remember to save some of your time and energy to do something for yourself. When we are happy, healthy individuals we are far happier to do for others. More Grange Connections on the horizon.

# Facts About Oregon Strawberries

- Oregon strawberries are one of the state's oldest and best loved agricultural crops
- Strawberry shortcake highlights the heritage of Oregonians
  - Oregon strawberries are known worldwide for their exceptional taste, deep red color, and intense sweetness
- Oregon strawberries are so sweet, red and juicy because of our climate; our long mild spring and early summer, lots of rain, cool nights and warm sunny days are perfect for growing the sweetest strawberries

daughter who does not want to go to sleep. The production had serious moments as well, such as a skit about homelessness

2018 was the 24th year that there has been annual spring production. This year's production was under the direction of the family team of Vernon, Kathleen and Jennifer Souders

Dessert of homemade cobbler by Grangers was served at intermission



Gabrielle Paris and Jennifer Souders in DMV Tyrant.

At left - l-r front row: Rob Guttridge, Gabrielle Paris, Adelia Jeppeson and Kay Bayot. Middle row: Don Guttridge, Tami Guttridge, Jessie Jo Guttridge, Greg Jeppeson, Jeanette Wyman and Suzy Ramm. Back row: Kathleen Souders, Jennifer Souders, Elaine Leatham, Peggy



Hartwig and Vernon Souders. Missing from the picture is Tabitha Souders who ran the lights.





# The Chaplain's Corner

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May is such a wonderful month - full of flowers, green grass, sunshine and rain and of course lots of weeds. It is also a month of remembrances. We remember and celebrate Mothers on Mother's Day. It was started by a mother of thirteen. Ann Jarvis, back in the 1860s not to celebrate her own position in life but as a way to bring mothers of both Union and Confederate soldiers together to help quiet the seething animosity between the North and South. One of her daughters, Anna Jarvis, continued the fight and it was recognized as a national day of celebration by President Woodrow Wilson in 1914. So, this year, as you remember and honor your mother, I challenge you to think and honor all those mothers who have been joined together by great sadness and sacrifice to keep this nation free. The Bible tells us to "Honor your father and your mother that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you", Exodus 20:12. This is the first commandment that was given with a promise.

Memorial Day is also in May. Shortly after the end of the Civil War, communities began holding springtime tributes to those countless fallen soldiers, decorating their graves with flowers and reciting prayers. The name "Decoration Day" was the first official name given to this day. Memorial Day, as Decoration Day came to be known,

became a day to honor all the fallen of the wars that followed. In 1968. Congress passed the Uniform Monday Holiday Act which established Memorial Day as the last Monday in May and established it as an officially federal holiday.

Both of these national holidays came about as a result of sadness and loss. I challenge all of you and your Granges to adopt these tributes. Many mothers in nursing home and living alone have no one to honor them or remember them on Mother's Day. Take time to visit them, take a small token of appreciation and let them know they are celebrated.

I also want to remind all of you to come to the Oregon State Grange Convention in Astoria this year. We will be having a Memorial Service to honor those that have served as Delegates, State Officers given so much to our organization.

I personally want to thank all the wonderful Mothers and Veterans out there. Your sacrifice and love played an enormous part in making this country the greatest place in the world.

and Directors. I ask that all of the Chaplains and Secretaries work together to get the names of those that have passed this past year to the State Grange Office. It is an important part of our organization that we pay tribute to those that have

#### In Memoriam

Rosella Thompson Beaver Homes Grange #518

Dorothy Archibald Beaver Valley Grange #306

Marvin Papst Camas Valley Grange #521

> Nadine Burrell Crow Grange #450

Richard Pedersen Eagle Valley Grange #656

Judy Dark Fort Rock Grange #758

Charles Stanley Lake Creek Grange #697

Jeanne Trudeau London Grange #937

Beulah Anderegg Redland Grange #796 Dr William MacFarlane Redland Grange #796

Fred Rhodes Riversdale Grange #731

Ida Lorraine Byron Rogue Grange & Comm. #767

> Bill Jaeger Spray Grange #940

Howard Browning Terrebonne Grange #663

Delta Chamberlin Terrebonne Grange #663

Carol Fontaine Terrebonne Grange #663

Sylvesta Thompson Terrebonne Grange #663

Helen Abbott Walterville Grange #416

Martin Lightfoot ~ White Eagle Grange #683

# FFA ~ FFA ~ FFA

Below: State Master Susan Noah, presented the banners to the first and second place finishers in the 2018 Oregon FFA Prepared Public Speaking Contest. First place was Chloe Birkmaier, of the Imbler FFA Chapter. She has been invited to speak at the Oregon State Grange Convention on June 27th



Photo courtesy of the Oregon FFA, CDarland Photography

# 2018 State FFA Convention

Since 1936 the Oregon State Grange has sponsored the Prepared Public Speaking Contest for the Oregon State FFA. The 2018 finals were held at their state convention March 23-26 at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds in Redmond. In addition to presenting the public speaking awards, the OSG participated in the Career Show with a booth promoting the Grange and the opportunities it provides when the FFA members take off their blue jacket for the last time.

State Ag Director Jay Sexton assembled the booth and State Master Susan Noah, Mark Noah, State Membership Co-Director Sandi Ludi, Myrna and Keith Colvin of Terrebonne Grange along with District 5 Youth Chairman Teresa Brott and Terrebonne Grange youth Mary Brott and Veronica Ford spent time talking with the FFA members about what the Grange is and how it fits in with the FFA program.



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# Opportunities with Oregon AG in the Classroom Foundation

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Late last month, at the Oregon Ag Fest, I had the opportunity in the "lulls" of the crowds to visit with our Ag Fest "neighbors" the wonderful folks working the Grange seedling booth. I had a chance to visit with Susan Noah and Jay Sexton as well as many other members of the agriculture committee who I've had the opportunity to get to know for a few years now. As Susan and I were chatting we noted the synergies within the mission of our organization and the history and traditions of the Oregon Grange. With this in mind, Jay invited me to write this column to familiarize (or remind) members about our program and hopefully make you aware of potential partnership and resources available.

For those of you not familiar, Oregon Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation is a non-profit foundation that provides teacher resources and hands-on, STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) lessons with the goal of engaging students and growing their knowledge about Oregon's agriculture, environment, and natural resources. We provide standards-aligned, easily downloaded lesson plans and curriculum kits, and a Free Loan Library of books, DVDs, and teaching tools free to all Oregon classroom teachers. These same resources can be used by volunteers like you, to visit local classrooms and help students understand agriculture! I wanted to highlight two of our programs that I think have partnership potential:

#### **Annual Literacy Project**

Although this year's project is nearly complete, each year we connect hundreds of volunteers to local classrooms. Volunteers are provided an agriculturally themed book and a corresponding activity that dives into a topic in agriculture. Volunteers read the book and lead the students through the activity. This is a low-commitment project that is a great way to begin making a difference and gain a presence in your local schools.

#### Get Oregonized

Get Oregonized is a history book focusing on Oregon's history and geographic regions, aligned to Oregon 4th grade standards, this book helps students understand both the rich history and modern agriculture in our state. These books can be sponsored to local classrooms and used for years to come.

I encourage you to visit our website, oregonaitc.org, and peruse our resources. Please don't hesitate to contact me for assistance in any local programing. I would also be happy to visit your local Grange meeting and discuss our program in more depth. I've been working with agriculture committee chair, Jay Sexton to get some time at the Convention in Astoria, hope to see many of you there!

Note: It is confirmed that Jessica Jansen will be speaking at the Ag Conference on Sunday Morning June 24th at 7:30am.

#### Sandy FFA Ag Issues Team Heads to National



Photo courtesy of the Oregon FFA, CDarland Photography As a follow-up to a story in the April/May issue of The Bulletin. Congratulations goes to the Sandy FFA Ag Issues team who place 1st at the Oregon State Grange FFA Convention. One of the requirements of the team going into state competition is they must present their skit in front of at least five groups. For the last several years they have visited the Oregon State Grange office when calling on groups in Salem. They also presented at Eagle Creek Grange #297 and Boring-Damascus Grange #260, both in Clackamas County. We wish them the best of luck as they compete at the national level this fall.

# The Agricultural Report

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The 2018 State Convention of the Oregon State Grange will be soon be here. This is the last opportunity to sign up for the free Ag Tour on Saturday, June 23rd, beginning promptly at 9:00 AM at the Clatsop County Fair and Expo site in Astoria. We will travel by bus to the Warrenton Marina for a tour by expert OSU Extension Guides, explaining the commercial fishing fleet: their boats, technology, techniques, and products. From there we will travel by bus to the Columbia River Maritime Museum for a guided tour of selected areas, then back to the fairgrounds for the Junior Luncheon. All aspects of this tour are free, including the lunch, sponsored by the Oregon State Grange Ag Committee.

To reserve your seat email agdir@ orgrange.org or call the cell phone for Jay Sexton's Grange. The deadline to sign up is June 10<sup>th</sup>, unless the bus fills up. Act today!

June 10<sup>th</sup> is also the deadline to submit nominations for the "Agriculturalist of the Year". If you know a Granger who has had a positive impact on Agriculture in Oregon please submit their info for consideration. Details are on the orgrange.org website, under Departments, on the Agriculture page.

At the State Session we will have a conference on Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM with Jessica Jansen

from Oregon Ag in The Classroom. Then on Monday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 AM we will hear from Clatsop County farmer Mike Seely on mint farming. Come hear his interesting story on a crop which yields an unusual commodity for an international market.

This may be my last Bulletin article as Ag Director for Oregon State Grange. It's been a fun four years with lots of activity at the OSU Small Farms Conference, the 5<sup>th</sup> National Women in Sustainable Agriculture Conference in Portland, the Oregon FFA Convention, Oregon Ag Fest, the Oregon State Grange Log Cabin at the State Fair, the biennial "We Appreciate Oregon Agriculture" Barbeque put on by OSG at the State Capital, the numerous Grange visits, and the diverse activities at the annual OSG State Conventions. I've learned many things about Oregon Agriculture and tried to share with all of you the stories and innovations I have come across. Throughout this time, I have met many Grangers and members of the public who share an interest in these essential activities which are the foundation upon which civilization

Lastly, I extend my heartfelt thanks to the many, many Grangers who have volunteered to help in our many tasks – together we have held up our end, strengthening our organization and sharing Grange with new members - Esto Perpetua – Let it be perpetual!



# Signup Deadline - June 10th Oregon State Grange AG Tour Saturday, June 23

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

#### Must reserve your spot by June 10th

Limited to 40 people on a first come basis. For reservations contact: Jay Sexton AGdir@orgrange.org 541-829-2907





## **Community Service**

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HURRY!! Send me your 2017
Annual Community Service
Report. The deadline is June 1 but
I will never turn down a report. I
know that many Granges are busy
volunteering in their communities so
let us know what is going on. The
only way the State Grange knows
what you are doing is if you fill
out the report form, which you can
download from the State Grange
website. Contact me if you have
any questions about filling out your
Annual Community Service Report.

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

hurry and send in your report!

The Community Service Yearbook for 2017 must be entered for judging at State Grange Convention by noon on Sunday June 24th. Or you may mail your book to me to arrive by June 20th. The first place winner will be sent to National Grange in November. Don't forget to include a copy of your Annual Community Service Report in your yearbook.

Connecting with your community and with other Granges or Grangers can develop lasting friendships. Take pride in what you are doing in your community.

Thanks for your service in the community.



# Lacomb a Part of Community Health and Wellness Event

On March 22nd Lacomb Grange #907, Linn County, participated in the first annual Community Health and Wellness Night at the Lacomb School. Approximately 30 community agencies and groups were on-hand to help families connect to resources in the area. Beside the Grange other groups included: the American Red Cross with a display on disaster preparedness, the Lebanon Fire Department focusing on bike safety, fire alarms and child car seat checks, Oregon Department of Veteran Affairs and the OSU Master Gardeners. Also included were the local Boys and Girls Club and Boy Scouts and Girls Scouts.

At the Grange table families received information on Grange programs for all ages including the 1+ Junior program and Youth and Young Adults activities. They also showcased the 150th Anniversary of the Grange with the 150 Years of Grange timeline board. Billed as a family fun event there were crafts and activities for the younger crowd along with snacks, and a massage therapist available giving chair massages for mom and dad.



Lacomb Secretary, Maxine Smith, checks out the table as other Lacomb members prepare to greet community families at the Health and Wellness night.



# Deaf Awareness and Family Health

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# **Plastic Straws**

Have you heard that plastic straws are a huge source of ocean plastic pollution? The Internet is full of statistics and suggestions about eliminating plastic drinking straws. What's a good Granger to do?

Plastic straws are an automatic addition to almost every beverage. I think our American obsession with iced drinks encourages their use, as anyone who's ever had ice cubes dump unexpectedly down their chin would probably agree. Oldfashioned paper straws simply aren't as sturdy or versatile, and straws have an undeserved reputation for being more sanitary than drinking directly from a glass. As a mom and grandma, I was delighted when my little ones learned to use straws because a cup with a lid and a straw is much less prone to spill than an open glass. When I have a beverage in a car, it's usually with a lid and straw. But the fact is, they're mostly not necessary, just a habit we've acquired. Now, I'm going to avoid getting a straw whenever possible. A water bottle doesn't require a straw, even when I'm driving. I'll request "No straw, please," in restaurants.

Of course, it's not just straws. Any small, lightweight plastics can end up in storm drains or otherwise near waterways that will carry them to the world's oceans. There, they break down to become tiny algaecovered pellets that are deadly food for sea creatures or they decompose into polluting chemicals. And before they break down, plastics famously entangle wildlife.

Recycling centers use screens and blowers to separate paper, plastics, metals, and so on. That's why they don't want lids and the tops of tin cans. Little stuff doesn't sort properly. And now that the market for recycled plastic has dropped, garbage haulers in my area are taking only milk jugs and clear plastic beverage containers. We can recycle plastic bags and styrofoam if we take them to a processing facility.

So, for the moment we're sending most of our plastic garbage to the landfill, but let's take this as a heads-up opportunity. Don't contaminate your commingled recycling with bottle caps or plastic bags. Avoid leaving plastic litter anywhere, but particularly where it may end up in storm drains or be blown away. By all means cut down on drinking straws where you can, but it's only a well-intentioned first step. We can do far more for our environment if we don't take single-use plastic to begin with, rather than recycling it later.

# Redland Grange Does Semi-Annual Road Cleanup



Once again Redland Grange #796, Clackamas County, was blessed with a nice cool dry day for their semi-annual Hattan Rd cleanup. Twelve members and volunteers showed up to clean the road and three members prepared a yummy lunch of soup, sandwiches and dessert for the workers when they returned to the Grange hall.

On kitchen duty was Shirley Gilman, Frances Pringle and Howard Miller. The road cleanup crew was Cathy Assad, Dick Wanker, Gertie Thompson, CoraLynn Congdon, Joe Wood, Cory Hawkins, Dale Schultz, Vi Lockwood, Lyle Schulded, Jeff DeWeife, William Herndman and Annette Wanker.





Malcolm Trupp, President

The annual meeting of the Oregon State Grange Foundation will be on Sunday, June 24 at the Oregon State Grange Annual Session at the Clatsop County Fair & Expo in Astoria, Oregon. Please plan to attend. We will be electing trustees from District #2 and District #4 and voting on a By-Laws change, which if passed it will add two at Large Trustees to serve on the Trustee Board.

This will also be the first meeting that we will be awarding a member \$25 from the GASS (Grangers Attending State Session) Fund. We are hoping that there will be enough earnings by June to award two \$25 awards. This will be drawn at the annual meeting on Sunday.

We will also be awarding the "Muzzy" Mandel Scholarship.

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

Also remember that the Foundation provides up to \$200 for registration for a Junior to attend a Junior Grange camp. (See Junior Camp information on page 17)

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

We will have more information at the annual meeting on Sunday. Hope to see you.

Have a safe travel to State Grange Convention

## G W A

Margaret Clute margaretclute@yahoo.com

OSG Grange Workers Activites Director



The State Grange Convention will be here soon, June 23-28 at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds in Astoria. There will be activities for everyone to enjoy and take part in. The GWA committee is excited for what the week will hold. A GWA conference and luncheon are scheduled for Tuesday June 26th. Thank you to Sue Dumolt and Sally Clute for providing a craft for the GWA conference. I'm sure you will like it. Entries for the contests will be received Saturday, June 23 noon-5pm and Sunday, June 24 9am-noon.

I recently went to the Multnomah Central Library in Portland to see the 150 Years of Grange exhibit. The committee that worked on this did a great job of displaying the history of the Grange. This exhibit is very interesting and educational. I would encourage you to go and take someone with you. This exhibit will be there through June 24th so maybe have a Grange road trip or stop on your way to State Grange Convention.

Grange Workers Activities sometimes sounds like it is all work and no play but it is also a time for Grangers to enjoy one another's

company and have fun. I would encourage your Grange to have a GWA "summer party" to celebrate what your Grange has accomplished this year. A Grange family reunion would be fun also, as some of our Grange family members come home for the summer and have not seen their Grange friends in a long time. Have a celebration of family.

A few observances and holidays for June, July and August that you might like to plan a GWA activity around would be:

June 14 Flag Day June 17 Fathers' Day June 21 International Yoga Day National Safety Month

July 4 Independence Day July 15 National Ice Cream Day July 18 National Hot Dog Day National Picnic Month

August 5 Friendship Day August 13 International Left Handers Day National Immunization Month

# **Spring Fruit Pie**

Recipe of Carol Crawford, Paris Grange, New York

Pastry for one 2-crust pie 2 cup sliced strawberries 2 cup 1-in. pieces of rhubarb 1/2 cup drained crushed pineapple 2 tbsp. lemon juice 1 cup sugar 1/4 cup cornstarch

- Preheat oven to 425 degrees
- Line pie pan with pastry. Combine strawberries, rhubarb, pineapple, lemon juice, sugar, cornstarch and salt; pour into pie pan.
- Cover with top crust; sealing pastry edges together.
- Cut slits in top crust.
- Bake in oven for 40 to 45 minutes or until done.

# Red, White and Blue Salad

Recipe of Mrs. Arthur Ebbert, Biglerville Grange, Pennsylvania

2 envelopes unflavored gelatin

1/3 cup sugar

Dash of salt

2 cups milk

1 1/4 cups cottage cheese

18 oz. can crushed unsweetened pineapple in juice

1/2 cup sliced strawberries

½ cup blueberries

- Combine gelatin, sugar and salt in a 1 1/2-quart saucepan.
- Stir in 1/2 cup milk.
- Place over low heat, stirring constantly, until gelatin is dissolved.
- Add remaining 1 1/2 cups milk.
- Stir in cottage cheese and pineapple.
- Arrange several of the strawberries and blueberries in 6-cup starshaped or other mold.
- Pour 1 cup of the gelatin mixture over top; chill until set.
- Arrange more of the strawberries and blueberries in a design against the side of the mold.
- Fold remaining strawberries and blueberries into gelatin mixture; turn into mold
- Chill until firm.
- Yield: 8-10 servings.

Dash of salt

Crow Grange Serves Breakfast

Mothers were treated to a wonderful breakfast at the Crow Grange #450, Lane County, annual Mother's Day breakfast. Grange friends and neighbors dined on sausage and eggs, pancakes and biscuits and gravy, fruit juice and coffee. Many thanks go to Dan Suing, chief breakfast cook. Also helping Dan were Connie and Danny Suing and Lori Stout.



Above: The kitchen crew included Dan, Connie, and Danny Suing members had a lot of fun serving their friends and neighbors.

Left: Chief cook, Dan Suing, scrambling some eggs.







## Winners Receive Their Reward

During April those Granges winning cash awards in the GrangeUp '17 program were visited by State Master Susan Noah and some of the state Directors.

On April 19th first place winner New Bridge Grange #789 in Baker County was visited. They received a check for \$750. They had a net gain of 105.2% and went from 19 members to 39 members.



Earlier in the month, on April 9th, Siletz Valley Grange #558 in Lincoln County was visited and received a check for second place of \$500. They had a 90% net gain and went from 20 members to 38 members.

The third-place winner, Salmon River Grange in Lincoln County, was visited April 2nd and reported on in the April/May Bulletin.

Left: New Bridge Grange Master Joe Adamson receiving the check for winning GrangeUp '17 from State Master Susan Noah.

Below: New Bridge Grange members celebrate more than doubling the size of their membership.





Above: State Master Susan Noah presents the check to Siletz Valley Master Michelle Schaffer.

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Below: Siletz Valley Secretary, Rose Esbenshade watchs the celebration cake be cut.



South Fork Grange

time, ai	nd location are de	termir	ned and/or char	iged.
Pomona	Da	ate	Time	Meeting Place
Baker #24	August	11	10:30 AM	Missouri Flat Grange
Benton #36	July	21	10:30 AM	Willamette Grange
Clackamas #1	July	28	10:00 AM	Springwater Grange
Columbia #18	August	4	10:00 AM	Trojan Park
Deschutes #25	August	11	11:30 AM	Pine Forest Grange
Douglas #13	July	28	6:00 PM	Myrtle Creek Grange
Jackson #27	July	14	10:00 AM	TBA
Josephine #20	June	30	10:00 AM	Sunny Valley Grange
Lane #14	July	14	10:00 AM	Lorane Grange
Lincoln #10	August	18	10:30 AM	Salmon River Grange
Linn #12	July	14	10:00 AM	Santiam Valley Grange
Marion #4	July	9	6:00 PM	TBA
Polk #3	July	21	10:00 AM	Oak Grove Grange
Tillamook #9			10:00 AM	TB/
Umatilla-Morrow #26	July	1	1:00 PM	The Panda Inn - Hermistor

10:00 AM

UPCOMING POMONA GRANGE MEETINGS Pomona Secretaries are to send in meeting information to the Bulletin Editor as soon as date,

# **Grange Connections - Has Your Grange Made Connections?**

Several Granges have reported on their connections for this issue of the Bulletin. Hopefully many more will report in the upcoming months so there are stories for the August/September and October/November papers. This issue we have three connections to share.

Watch for more stories on Grange Connections at the Oregon State Grange Convention in June.

## Sunnyside Grange Plans Event for Oregon Food Bank

Kyle Hummel (Corporate & Community Relations Coordinator) for the Oregon Food Bank was a speaker for the May 10th meeting program at Sunnyside Grange #842, Clackamas County. He has been working with Sunnyside Grange to get them prepared for their Community Service Shred It Day event that was to be held on May 19. Proceeds will go to the Oregon Food Bank from the shredding. The Grange will also be collecting food at the same time.



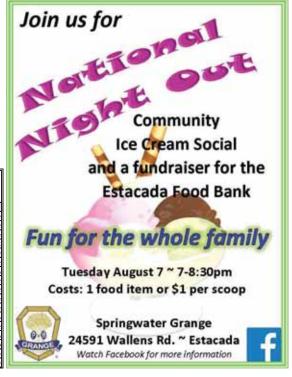
Sandi Ludi, Master welcomed Kyle Hummel from the Oregon Food Bank

## Hurricane Creek Makes Road Trip

On Wednesday, April 18th, Grange Foun-dat 2018 Derrel and Claran Witty and David McBride of Hurricane Creek, enjoyed visiting the regular monthly meeting of North End Grange in Flora. Both Granges are located in Wallowa County. Nearly twenty North End members were in attendance for the meeting including three youth and three 1+ Junior members. They are pleased to be able to send two of their Junior members to Junior Grange Camp with the help of the Oregon State

The visitors listened with interest as the

North Ender's discussed how they would use the Ice Cream Social they won in the GrangeUp '17 membership contest. They have confirmed the date of July 21 at 6pm for their event. The visit was a fun opportunity to watch another Grange conduct their meeting and meet a neighboring Grange and Grangers.





# Strawberry Events ~ It's In Our Grange DNA



# Kelley's Strawberry "PicNic"

The very first Grange event EVER organization, the Grange! was a "Strawberry PicNic" on the 25th of June in 1868! Grange Strawberry parties were a 19thfounder, Oliver Kelley loved strawberries and grew them as a market crop on his Elk River farm in the mid-1800s. For the "PicNic" Kelley worked with the railroads to provide free transportation for people from St. Paul to his farm 30 miles away. He provided sugar and cream and hundreds of visitors picked their own strawberries from his fields and listened to speeches on the virtues of the new

century Midwestern picnic tradition, and this picnic enabled Kelley to create interest in the Grange by inviting a number of important people to his farm for an enjoyable social event, then tell them about his new plan and enlisted their support.

So, go out and have some Juneripened strawberries in honor of Oliver Kelley and support our Granges and local farmers.

# Dixie Mountain Holds 66th **Annual Strawberry Festival**

Dixie Mountain Grange #860. Washington County, will hold their 66th Annual Strawberry Festival on Saturday and Sunday, June 16th & 17th, 2018, from 11am to 5pm. A tradition since 1952 the short cakes come in small for \$6, medium for \$12, large for \$18 and super at \$35.

While there enjoy a quilt display, local craft booths and don't miss "Dixie MT Delectables, Again" the Grange's latest cookbook. Follow signs from North Plains Exit #57 off Hwy. 26 or Rocky Point Road off of Hwy. 30. The Grange hall is located at 23455 NW Dixie Mt Rd, North Plains



Dixie Mountain member Jo Ann Tannock shows off a couple short cakes.

# Non-Profit Organization Fund Raiser



Strawberry Waffle Breakfast

Sunday - June 10th 8am to 1pm

**Boring-Damascus Grange** 

27861 SE Grange St., Boring, OR

Meet and Greet Local Political Candidates Serving You Made from Scratch Belgium Waffles Fresh Local Strawberries Juice, Milk, Coffee & Tea

Adults \$8, Kids under 6 Eat Free

Family Rate (max 6) \$36

**FEATURING GOAT POOP BINGO** 

www.BoringGrange.org

### DIXIE MT GRANGE 66th ANNUAL STRAWBERRY FESTIVAL

A tradition since 1952 arday and Sunday, June 16th & 17th, 2018 11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Held Father's Day weekend

Come enjoy the best strawberry shortcake found anywhere. me only the very freshest ingredients so you can enjoy the best. Small \$6.00 Large \$18.00

For Questions Call: 503-647-5213

Medium \$12.00

Quilt display and local craft booths. Fresh strawberries for sale if available.

Don't miss "Dixie MT Delectables, Again" - our latest cookbook AND "Dixie Mt. Legacies - The History of Dixie Mt." for sale this year.

Directions: 23455 NW Divie Mt Rd, North Plains. Follow signs from North Plains Exit #57 off Hwy. 26; Hwy. 30 at Rocky Point Rd; OR from Cornelius Pass Rd.

# Strawberry Pancake Breakfast



Saturday June 9, 2018 7:30 am-llam at the Yankton Grange: 33065 Pittsburg Rd.

All you can eat: scrambled eggs, sausage and pancakes

only \$8.00 (\$5 kids)



4th ANNUAL LANE COUNTY GRANGES STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE FESTIVAL

Place: Herrick Farms

88088 Millican Rd. Springfield, Oregon

Time: 12-5 pm

Fresh Local Stranterrital

Cost: \$5.00 strawberry shortcake plus coffee, or punch.

JUNE 9TH

Strawberries, vendors, flowers!

Come Join the Fun!

For more information: 541-741-1046



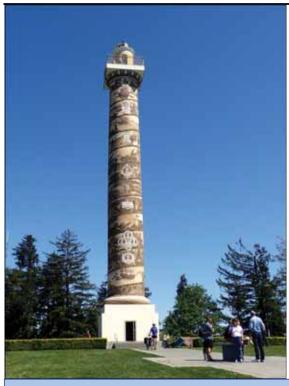
June 9, 2018 4-7 PM SPRINGWATER GRANGE #263 The Biggest Strawberry Shortcake in Clackamas County

> Pulled Pork Dinner Regular Shortcake Jumbo Shortcake

\$8.00 6.00 7.00

Right: Tami and Don Guttridge did a radio ad for Springwater Grange's Strawberry Social at the Grange's Variety Show in April.







# 145<sup>th</sup> **Annual Convention Oregon State Grange**June 23-29, 2018

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

## 145th Oregon State Grange Convention Tours and Conferences

#### Friday, June 22

**12:30 pm Veterans Tour** – meet bus at Fairgrounds – Tour will visit USCG Air Station in Astoria. **Reservations must be made by Monday June 18<sup>th</sup>.** See more information on page 19

#### Saturday, June 23

8:45 am Ag Tour – Meet bus at Fairgrounds – Travel to Warrenton Marina for a tour of the fishing fleet with OSU Extension guides who will explain the fisheries and provide information about Warrenton's commercial fishing fleet. Then travel to the Columbia River Maritime Museum in Astoria. Lunch will be in the form of a ticket to the Junior luncheon at the Fairgrounds. Lunch and ticket to the Maritime Museum complements of the OSG Ag Committee. Reservations must be made by Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup>. See additional information on page 5

#### Sunday, June 24

**7:30-8:30** Program by **Ag in the Classroom**, Executive Director Jessica Jansen. Learn about Opportunities with Oregon Agriculture in the Classroom Foundation and the teacher resources and hands-on, STEM (science, technology, engineering, and math) lessons with the goal of engaging students and growing their knowledge about Oregon's agriculture, environment, and natural resources that they provide. free to all Oregon classroom teachers.

They are also the provider of the "Get Oregonized" text book, a history book focusing on Oregon's history and geographic regions, for Oregon's  $4^{th}$  graders. -North Building

11:45 am CERT Workshop presented by District 3 Youth Chairman Brenda Hoag. Targeted at Youth and Young Adults but open to all. Learn about the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program that educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations. – Youth area of Arena

**2 pm Orientation for delegates and session committee chairs.** Whether you are a new or returning delegate take this opportunity to brush up on committee proceedures and goals. Marilyn Reiher, Progress Committee Chair, Mark Noah, Vice Chair, and State Master – Susan Noah - Main Hall

#### Monday, June 25

**7:30-8:45 Agricultural Conference** - Open to all members, Mint Farming with Mike Seely. Come hear from Clatsop County farmer Mike Seely

and hear his interesting story this unusual commodity for an international market. – North Building

**6-7:30 pm** One of the new items this year is a **Trade Show**. Meet all eleven state Grange standing committees and the Communications team. Each will have a table at the show with information about their programs and materials and ideas to take back to your Grange. For a lot of committees this replaces their convention conference – Arena Area

#### Tuesday, June 26

**7:30-8:30 Managing Grange Finances and Property.** Open to all members – OSG Secretary Sarah Kingsborough – Arena Area

**8:30-9:45 GWA Conference** – Open to all members - Hands on workshop making a craft led by Sue Dumolt and Sally Clute.- Dining Area

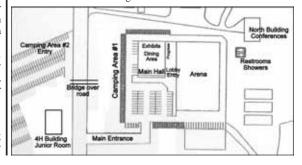
#### Wednesday, June 27

**7-8:45** am Jump Start Your Pomona —State Master Susan Noah proposed that a Pomona Grange Task Force "be appointed to develop a plan to help the existing Pomona Granges rebuild and to work on bringing back Pomona Granges to those areas of the State where they have been lost." Come hear the work they have done and plans for the future. —North Building

#### Thursday, June 28

**7:30-8:30 Floorwork Demonstration** – Come see and understand how to do the Welcoming Ceremony and Draping of the Charter – OSG Membership & State Officers – Main Hall

**12 noon District 4 Hosting Committee meeting** – all District #4 Grangers are urged to attend in preparation for invitation presentation later in the afternoon – Dining Area







# **Tentative Schedule ~ Oregon State Grange Convention**

# "Rediscover the Grange at the End of the Trail"



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Noon	Friday, June 22 Set up facility	8 am-noon	GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries accepted – Display Area
12:30 pm	Veterans Tour – meet bus at Fairgrounds – Tour will visit USCG Air Station in Astoria.	9 am	Ceremonial opening in the 6 <sup>th</sup> Degree (State Officers line up 8:45) (then lowered to the 4 <sup>th</sup> degree) - Main Hall
	Saturday, June 23		Roll Call Adoption of the Official Program
8 am-noon	Registration opens for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby	9:30 am	Introduction of Host Committee Chairs – Eva Frost and Marilyn Reiher Clatsop County Fair & Expo Center Manager – John Lewis Welcome by State Senator Betsy Johnson, District #16
8:45 am	Ag Tour – Meet bus at Fairgrounds – Travel to Warrenton Marina for a tour of the fishing fleet with OSU Extension guides who will explain the fisheries and provide information about Warrenton's commercial fishing fleet. Then travel to the Columbia River Maritime Museum in Astoria. Lunch will be in the form of a ticket to the Junior luncheon at the Fairgrounds. Lunch and ticket to the Maritime Museum complements of the OSG Ag	11 am	Response by Overseer, Celia Luttrell Report of Division of Labor Committee Notice of Proposed By-Law Changes and late resolutions First report of Credentials Committee Introduction of Committee Chairmen 2019 Budget Committee Report State Master's Annual Address
	Committee.	11 am	Assignment of portions of Annual Address by Division of Labor Committee
9 am	Fifth Degree Practice – Main Hall		State Master's Good of the Order Address Assignment of portions of Good of the Order Address by
11 am	Memorial-Worship Service Practice – Main Hall		Division of Labor Committee. Closing in the Fourth Degree – OSG Overseer
	Youth Public Speaking and Sign-A-Song contestants must register with the State Youth Director - Lobby	Noon	GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries close and <i>area will be closed for</i>
Noon	***New*** Junior Lunch Fundraiser - All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Have lunch and		judging – Display Area
	Support the Junior program! – Dining Area	12:30 pm	Foundation Luncheon - All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available
1 pm	Exemplification of the first four Degrees under the leadership of Jim Dumolt, Clarkes Grange – Main hall		for program portion. Annual meeting of Foundation follows lunch. Door Prizes – Dining Area
2 pm	GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, Youth and Junior contest entries accepted – Display Area	2-5:45 pm	Registration Open – $5^{\text{th}}$ and $6^{\text{th}}$ Degree tickets on sale until 30 minutes before Degree begins – Lobby
	Junior talent, public speaking, and sign-a-song contestants must register – Display Area	2 pm	Orientation for delegates and committee chairs-MainHall
2-5 pm	Registration Open – Lobby	3 pm	Session committee meetings – Dining Area or Arena Rosebud Practice – Main Hall
4:30 pm	Talent contestants meet with State Lecturer; Public Speaking & Sign-a-Song contestants meet with Youth	4 pm	5 <sup>th</sup> Degree – Clackamas Pomona – Main Hall
	Director – Main Hall	5:30-7:30	Dinner break – Enjoy the area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange
5:30 pm	Kickoff Banquet – All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. – Dining Area	7:30 pm	6th Degree – Oregon State Grange Officers – Main Hall
7 pm	Talent Show, Adult and Junior, Public Speaking, Sign-a-		Monday, June 25
, biii	Song and Youth Jeopardy Contest – Main Hall Honor Grange awards Agriculturist of the Year award	7:30-8:45	Agricultural Conference - Open to all members, Mint Farming with Mike Seely – North building
	Community Service – Volunteer of the Year award	7:30-8:30	Youth Officers Practice - Main Hall
9 pm	Assignment of Deputies – OSG Gatekeeper – Main Hall	8am-noon	Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth
9 pm	***New*** Dance, everyone invited to attend - Arena		Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby
9:15 pm	State Officers practice including Sixth Degree – Main Hall	9 am	Memorial and Worship Service – Main Hall
7:30-8:30	Sunday, June 24  Program by Ag in the Classroom Executive Director,	10:30 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree (State Officers line up 10:15)  - Main Hall Roll Call - Reading and adopting Sunday's Journal
	Jessica Jansen – North Building	11 am	GIA Chairman of the Board, D. Thomas McKern
7:30-8:30	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall		Report of Elections Committee
8 am-noon	Registration of delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby	Noon	Membership Luncheon –All members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. – Dining Area



Tentative Schedule 145th Oregon State Grange Convention, continued			
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Main Hall	7-8:45 am	Pomona Conference – work from the Pomona Task
1:30-5 pm	Registration Open – Lobby		Force - North Building
4 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Eva Frost – District #3 Host Co-Chair	8:30 8 am-noon	Youth officer pictures  Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers &
4-6 pm	Final Election of State Officers - Arena		Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby
4-6:00 pm	Dinner break — Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.	9 am	Opening in the Fourth Degree by State Youth Officer (Line up 8:45) - Main Hall Roll Call
6-7:30 pm	***New*** Trade Show – Meet with the OSG Directors and see what each program offers. Materials and ideas to take back to your Grange – Arena	Noon	Reading and adopting Tuesday's Journal  Youth Luncheon & "Goodie Basket" drawings - Al
7:30 pm	Grange Connections Pep Rally and Grange Up Celebration!! Dining area		members welcome with ticket purchased by June 1 Additional seating will be available for program portion – Dining Area
We	Tuesday, June 26 ear Red Tennis Shoes to Support our Juniors!	1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Main Hall
	d, White and Blue Day to Honor our Veterans	1:30-5pm	Registration Open – Lobby
6:30-8:00 am	$Grange\ Benefits\ Breakfast-Complimentary-Dining\ Area$	2 pm	Recognition of Past State Officers & Directors -Main Hal
7:30-8:30	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall	5-7 pm	Dinner break – Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell then you are with the Grange.
8 am-noon	Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers & Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby		GROW Club No-Host Dinner – Dooger's: 103 U.S. 101 Warrenton - Young's Bay Plaza - sign up @ registration
7:30-8:30	Managing Grange Finances and Property – OSG Secretary – North Building	7 pm	Silent auction closes Oral auction - Main Hall Session reconvenes Resolutions
8:30-9:45	GWA Conference – Open to all members - Hands on workshop making a craft led by Sue Dumolt and Sally Clute Arena	9 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Cole Wilson, State Yout Master
10 am	\$1 Junior Degree ticket required for entry.  Opening in the Fourth Degree (State Officers line up 9:45)  – Main Hall		Entries in the GWA, Lecturers, Youth and Junior contest may be picked up following the closing.
	Roll Call Reading and adopting Monday's Journal		Thursday, June 28
	OSG Attorney – Nancy Murray	7:30-8:30	***New*** Floorwork Demonstration – Come and se the Welcoming Ceremony and Draping of the Charter OSG Membership & State Officers - Main Hall
10:30 am	Junior Degree, State Junior Officers – Main Hall	8 am-noon	Registration for delegates, State Grange Officers &
Noon	Resolutions  GWA Luncheon - All members welcome with ticket		Directors, Deputies, state committee members, State Youth Officers, State Junior Officers, and visitors – Lobby
NOOII	purchased by June 1. Additional seating will be available for program portion. GWA scholarships will be presented during luncheon. – Dining Area	8 am	Pick up entries in the GWA, Lecturer, Youth and Junio contests – Display Area
1:30 pm	Session reconvenes – Main Hall	9 am	Opening in the 4th Degree (State Officers line up 8:45 am – Main Hall
	Resolutions		Roll Call Reading and adopting Wednesday's Journal Resolutions continued
:30-5pm	Registration Open – Lobby	10:30 am	Thank you to District #3
2:30 pm	Tribute to Grange Veterans – Main Hall	Noon	Pizza & Salad Bar – Dining Area
5-7 pm	Dinner break – Enjoy area restaurants. Be sure to tell them you are with the Grange.	TVOOII	District 4 Hosting Committee Meeting – all District Grangers urged to attend in preparation for invitatio
7 pm	Session Reconvenes – Main Hall		presentation
	Resolutions	1:30 pm	Installation of State Officers – Main Hall,
9 pm	Closing in the Fourth Degree – Marilyn Reiher – District #3 Host Co-Chair	3 pm	Invitation by District #4 to visit in 2019
	Wednesday, June 27		All other unfinished business
7 am 9 am	Wear Green to Support our Youth!	4 pm	Closing in Fourth Degree – OSG Master (or when finished)
7 am–8 am	Youth Officers practice – Main Hall	I	





# Oregon State Grange 145<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention Tentative Youth & Young Adults Schedule ~ Supplement to main schedule



	Saturday, June 23	7:30-8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall - Youth exit main hall promptly at 8:30 so Memorial team can set up
8am-12 noon	Registration opens for all in the Lobby. All Youth & Young Adults get a youth ribbon when you register Set up and open concession stand, sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets	Noon 1:30-4 pm	Close concession stand  Open concession stand, sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie
	Set up and accept donations - Keeping Oregon Warm  GWA, Lecturer's, Community Service Yearbook, and		Basket tickets Accept and display donations - Keeping Oregon Warm
11am	Youth contest entries accepted – Display Area  Registration for the Public Speaking Contest and	1:30-4 pm	Community service project – Socks for Seniors – Youth area of Arena
114111	Sign-a-Song at the concession stand - Lobby	6–7:30 pm	Trade Show – Arena
Noon	Close concession stand	7:30 pm	Grange Connection 2018 - GrangeUp '17 – Dining Area
2 pm – 5 pm	Open concession stand, sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>	<u>Tuesday, June 26</u> Wear Red Tennis Shoes to Support Our Juniors! Red, White and Blue Day to Honor our Veterans	
4:30 pm	Public Speaking & Sign-a-Song Contestants meet with State Youth Director for mic checks – Main Hall	7:30-8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall
5 pm	Close concession stand	8 am	Open concession stand, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - <i>Keeping Oregon Warm</i>
5: 30 pm	Kickoff Banquet – "At the Trail Head" - Dining Area. State Youth Officers see the Youth Director for your pre-arranged	Noon	Close concession stand
<b>a</b>	tickets.	1:30-5pm	Open concession stand, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets Accept and display donations - Keeping Oregon Warm
7 pm	Talent Show, Public Speaking, Sign-a-Song and oral part of Jeopardy Contest – Main Hall	3 pm	Carwash, money to be donated to community service project.
9 pm	Dance following Talent Show – cupcakes and punch to be served – Youth area of Arena	5 pm	Close concession stand
	Sunday, June 24	9 pm	Jeopardy Challenge written test - Youth area of Arena Following close of session
7:30-8:30 am	Youth Officers Practice – Main Hall		Wednesday, June 27
7:30am	Open concession stand, sell notebooks, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets	7 am - noon	Open concession stand, accept/sell Goodie Basket tickets
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# Oregon State Grange 145<sup>h</sup> Annual Convention Tentative Junior Schedule

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8am - 12pm	SATURDAY June 23 <sup>th</sup> All Juniors register at general registration. All forms	11am	Practice degree work for officers
оши - 12рш	must be properly completed for a Junior to participate. Juniors do not pay Registration Fee <b>BUT</b> must <b>Register</b> in order to participate in the Junior Room.	12pm	Junior Room CLOSED Lunch – Pick-up your Juniors no later than 12:10pm
11:30am	Juniors meet in <b>Dining Area</b> to prepare for the Junior	1:25pm	Junior Room OPEN
11.004111	lunch	3pm	Snacks
12pm	<b>Junior Lunch - Dining Area</b> All Juniors will be expected to attend and help with our 50/50 raffle.	<del>4</del> pm	<b>Junior Room CLOSED</b> Break for dinner – Pick your child(ren) up no later than 4:05pm.
1pm	Junior Room OPEN - 4-H Building	6pm - 7:30pm	Junior Officer Practice - Main Hall
2pm	Junior talent show contestants accepted - Display Area Junior contest entries accepted - Display Area	7:30pm	Pick up Junior officers - Main Hall
4:30pm	Talent contestants, including Junior talent, meet with State Lecturer - Main Hall	8:30am	TUESDAY June 26 <sup>th</sup> Junior Room OPEN Please come dressed in degree attire Practice degree work one last time!
5pm	Junior Room CLOSED Pick up your child(ren) no later than 5:10 pm	9am	Group pictures: Officers and all Juniors
5:30-7pm	Kickoff Banquet All Juniors are paid for and expected to attend	10:30am	Open Junior Grange - Main Hall Conferral of Junior Degree
7pm	Junior talent, Sign-a-song and Public Speaking Contest - Part of Talent Show - Main Hall	12pm	Junior Room CLOSED  Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:05
8am - 12pm	SUNDAY June 24th General registration open - Lobby Junior contest entries accepted - Display Area	1:20pm	Junior Room OPEN
8:50am	Junior Room OPEN	2:30pm	Tribute to Grange Veterans - Main Hall
9am	Juniors plan on attending the Opening of the Session	2:45pm - 8pm	<b>Leave for Funland!</b> Dinner at Funland as a group!
9:45am	Welcome & introduction of officers	9рт	Junior Room CLOSED Please pick up your child(ren) no later than 9:05
10am 10:30am	Installation of Officers by the Youth Team  Dress nicely (Sunday dress)  Snacks	9am	WEDNESDAY June 27 <sup>th</sup> Juniors attend youth opening with their families After the youth have finished the Juniors will gather
11am	Practice degree for officers		to head to the Junior room.
Noon	Junior contest entries close for Judging - Display area	12pm	Junior Room CLOSED  Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:05 pm
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1:50pm 2pm	Junior Room OPEN  Practice degree work for Officers	4:30pm	Return from Field Trip Free Time
3pm	Snacks and activities	5pm	Junior Room CLOSED
5:20pm	Junior Room CLOSED  Break for dinner – Pick your child(ren) up no later than 5:25 pm	6:50pm	Dinner Break - Pick-up your Juniors no later than 5:10 pm  Junior Room OPEN
7:20pm	Junior Room OPEN Practice degree work for officers View Rosebud Drill Join family at close of 6th degree for Ice Cream Social	8:45am	Snacks & Activities After the session please pick your child(ren) ASAP  THURSDAY June 28 <sup>th</sup> Junior Room OPEN
8:50am	MONDAY June 25 <sup>th</sup> Junior Room OPEN	12pm	Open Activities  Junior Room CLOSED
9am	Practice degree work for officers		Break for lunch - Pick your child(ren) up no later than 12:10pm
10:30am	Snacks and activities		See you next year!





## Legislative Update

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OSG Legislative Director

Election season generates questions and discussion about Grange involvement in politics. One of the basic principles upon which the Grange was founded is expressed in our Declaration of Purposes, Section 2.5.1, titled "The Grange, Not Partisan." Dictionaries define the 'partisan' as support for a person or party, so even in races that are officially 'non-partisan' such as judges, county commissioners and some statewide elected positions, it is contrary to Grange Law to show support for any individual in that race. As individuals we can certainly support whomever we want, but we must be careful to avoid any indication, however unintentional, that we speak for our Grange. Our organization was founded during one of the most partisan and divisive periods in our nation's history. Our founders understood the importance of inclusion and community and created the Grange as a safe space and a bulwark against the divisiveness and destruction of excessive partisanship.

Section 10.1.4 of the National Grange Digest of Laws reads in part "no Grange...shall use or allow to be used any name, insignia or mark of the Order in a manner which could indicate support, approval or opposition of any candidate for political office or any partisan political position." These days, social media compounds the potential for tricky situations. When re-posting or copying material for your Grange's Facebook or web page, labels or tags that identify the re-posted material as originating with the 'so-and-so for this office' campaign or web page are a clear indication of your Grange's support for that candidate, whether or not that is your intent. Don't post on your Grange's Facebook or website any flyers about candidates and their their activities.

Candidate forums are a valuable community activity but you must invite all candidates for the office. Be aware that donating the use of a Grange hall to a candidate for campaign meetings or as a work space is not a community service. it is a violation of Grange law. A Grange may certainly rent their hall to a candidate but it should be made. clear that the event is not sponsored by the Grange and does not connote Grange support for this candidate.

This year, I am aware of several Granges that count candidates for office among their members. These members are certainly under no special restriction regarding attending Grange meetings or functions, but they should be aware of our non-partisan policy and avoid all mention of their candidacy. Similarly, nothing prohibits a member wearing a campaign button to a Grange meeting or function, but there can be no electioneering.

#### State Convention

The deadline for submitting resolutions for consideration by the division of labor committee for this year's delegate convention has passed. Late resolutions can be presented on the first day of the session but can be denied assignment to committee by delegate vote. This did happen last year so don't count

## Legislative Committee

The OSG Legislative Committee met recently and considered activities for the coming year, including at the State Grange Convention this June. We are planning a resource table for the convention display area, and most of the committee (including our lobbyist) will be at the convention and will attempt to answer questions and provide information on issues and resolutions

# Get Contact Infomation

# for Your State and Federal Legislators

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

After several minutes you will receive a return text from a

different phone number that will list the name and phone numbers of your U.S. Senators and Representative for your district, as well as your state Senator and Prepresenative.



## Governmental **Affairs**

John Dehaas govaffairs@orgrange.org Asst. Director ~ Oregon State Grange

Our Governor decided that there needed to be a Special Session to address the need for adjusting the tax code to provide relief to the sole proprietors. This is now known as HB4301. It was passed with a wide margin in both chambers of the Oregon Legislature. This Bill will do some good for small businesses throughout Oregon, but more really needs to be done to ensure our solvency going into the 21st Century economy.

In the past several years the State Legislature has made major investments in training, education, and workplace fairness. The investments are paying off with job placement and record lows in unemployment. There is much more work to be done.

I will be keeping you up to date as things happen and will see you at State Convention at the end of the month. Until then I hope you had a wonderful Memorial Day, "even though some are gone, they are never forgotten."

# Titles of Resolutions Assigned to Committees for State Convention

Agriculture

Ending the Use of Dicamba in State of Oregon Exclude Seeds from Patenting In Favor of Improved Ground Squirrel Control Protect Farm Workers from Pesticide Drift Regenerative Agricultural Standards Support for Seed Savers

#### By-Laws

Amend OSG By-Laws References to Community Service Committee Combining or Oregon State Session Committees Increase Minimum Cost for

Lifetime Membership to \$1000 Permit Alcohol Use in Grange Sponsored Events Term Limits of Grange Officers Unrestricted Dues Allocation

#### **Environment & Ecology**

Environment and Ecology Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book

Require the Use of Biodegradable **Plastics** 

#### Federal Affairs

Oppose Cuts to FCC Lifeline Program for Low Income Consumers

Reaffirm Prohibition of Gerrymandered Political Districts

Renegotiating the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA)

US Postage Stamp for 400th Anniversary of Plymouth Colony

#### Good of the Order

Granger Youths to Young Adults Legislative Policy Pomona Grange Manuals

Vote for Sunsetting Legislative Policies

#### Health & Welfare

In Support of Universal Health Care Mental Health Day Out of Network Ambulance Charges

#### Insurance

Group Insurance Policy

## Legislation

Change Solar Power in Oregon Enact Josephine County GMO Planting Ban Expanded Bottle Bill Federal Affairs Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book Financial Affairs Section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book Health & Welfare section of the OSG Legislative Policy Book Liability Exemption for Small Sales by Non-Profits Mandatory Oregon State Licensing/ID for Service Animals

Remove an Inconsistency in OSG Legislative Policy Support Safe and Proper Storage of Firearms

#### **Natural Resources**

Actively Support Healthy Pollinator Populations Jordan Cove LNG Facility/Pacific Connector Pipeline

#### Transportation

Highway Improvement Oregon Fallen Fire Fighters Roadside Memorial Signs Transportation Section of OSG Legislative Policy: Motor Fuels and Taxes Transportation Section of OSG Legislative Policy: Railroads Keep Available Gasoline Without

Corrosive Additives



## **Oregon Junior** Grangers

Elizabeth and Kegan Williams elizabethwilliams2010@hotmail.com



OSG Junior Directors

The State Junior committee and Juniors will be holding a fundraiser lunch on Saturday June 23 at the Oregon State Grange Convention. During lunch you will hear a little from our National Junior Ambassador and we are planning on doing a 50/50 raffle during the meal. Hope to see many of you there.

Also, if you know of a Junior who is coming to convention and would like to serve as a Junior officer we still have several spots open. Please



Juniors remember to bring your entries for the various contests to convention or send along with your delegate from Grange if you are not coming. For a list of contests look in the Oregon State Grange Awards, Contests and Scholarships booklet. Information is also available online on the Junior Department web page.



Riley and Tina Reynolds (center back) on tour with National Lecturer Chris Hamp (left front) at Gettysburg who gave some fun history



Riona McClain (r) a Junior member of Irving Grange #377, Lane County, helps plant marigolds with her grandmother Peggy Jillson



Terry Elliott a Junior member at Ada #570, Lane County, meeting a Gypsy horse.



Above and right: Riley Reynolds, a Junior member of Santiam Valley Grange #828, Linn County, worked a shift at the membership table both Saturday and Sunday.



Taking a pony ride was Ada #570 Junior member Taylor Elliott.



# Juniors at Oregon's Ag Fest Oregon's National Junior **Ambassador Has Busy Spring**

In March Riley Reynolds and his mom Tina, flew to Westminster, Maryland for the Mid-Atlantic Regional Leaders Conference where he participated in workshops and team building exercises and represented the National Junior

According to Riley "It was interesting to attend a different region's conference. I enjoyed the conference and meeting other Grangers and playing the games at the conference. I was asked to be part of a drill team of all ages. We also took some time to visit Gettysburg and have some fun history lessons with National Lecturer Chris Hamp leading the 'tour'. There were Junior Grangers from Tennessee in attendance!"

A month later they were off to the National Grange Legislative Fly-In. Riley reported "We had a chance to listened to some good speakers from the Connect American Now Coalition (CAN), AT&T, Ray Starling, (Special Assistant to the President for Agriculture, Trade and Food Assistance), the USDA, and many more. I encourage members to check out the National Grange Legislative Policy and also check out the CAN Coalition."



Riley being interviewed by a reporter with RFD-TV.



Riley participating in activities at the Mid-Atlantic Conference.

One of the highlights for the Juniors was to be interviewed by RFD-TV. RFD-TV is an American digital cable and satellite television channel that is owned by Rural Media Group. The channel features programming devoted to rural issues, concerns and interests. The channel's name is a reference to Rural Free Delivery. Riley said "We experienced being interviewed by a TV Station. The Juniors toured the Verizon Center, and talked with Ted Cruz's staff, went into the session on Capitol Hill for a time and took a night trolley tour of the Monuments."

Four Juniors from across the country attended the Fly-In: one each from Texas, Wisconsin, Rhode Island, and Oregon.

Additionally, "My mom and I saw some of DC on our free days. We went to the White House Visitor Center, the National Archives, the National Harbor and the National Postal Museum to name a few. It was a great experience I'll remember."







Oregon's Junior Ambassador Riley Reynold (in red) attend visitors night at Camp Morehead in 2017.

# Send Your Juniors to Grange Camp

For many years Oregon has not had a Junior Camp during the summer. Again, this year the Washington State Grange is inviting Oregon Juniors to attend one of their camps. There are six Junior Grange summer camps scheduled for locations around Washington State. Prompt early registration is the best way to secure a spot at the camp of choice and to avoid late fees.

Each camp will feature a week of fun activities including music, hiking, swimming, special programs, games, crafts and Junior Grange instruction. It is not necessary for children or their parents to be Grange members to register for a camp. Eligible ages are 9-14.

Although each camp is administered separately, each requires a signed medical permission slip from parents, a completed registration form and pre-payment of camp fees. Prices range from \$145-\$225 depending on camp and time of registration. Pamphlets for each camp are available from camp coordinators (contact information is listed below). They are also available on the Washington State Grange website, www.wa-grange/JuniorCamps.org.

#### Camp Wooten June 24-29

Camp Wooten State Park 2711 Tucannon Road Pomeroy, WA 99347 Camp Director: Deeena Stalling 509-521-1340 Campwooten1@gmail.com

#### Camp Morehead July 15-21

Camp Morehead 27600 Sandridge Road Ocean Park, WA Camp Director: Tom Gwin 360-581-0177 tgwin@techline.com

#### Camp Mayfield July 1-7

Mayfield Lake Youth Camp 394 Winston Creek Road Mossvrock, WA 98564 360-985-2972 Camp Directors: Jennifer & Marvin Oliver Jennifer: (253) 906-6078 Marvin: (253) 906-6075 jenandmarv@gmail.com

#### Camp NEWA July 22-28

2580 Pend Oreille Lake Road Colville, WA 99114 Camp Director: Carol Evans 509-535-1165

#### Camp David Junior Grange Camp: July 8-13 and July 22-27

Camp David Jr. 1452 Camp David Jr. Rd. Port Angeles, WA 98363 Camp Director: Chrissy Amundson 360 452-8028 Grandpas\_twer@hotmail.com

#### Camp Cornet Bay August 5-10

Cornet Bay Junior Camp 400 W. Cornet Bay Road Oak Harbor, WA 98277 Camp Registrar: Kathy Knott 253-350-1807 Kathyknott.wa@gmail.com Camp Director: Janelle Lierman 425-407-3199 jmlierman@hotmail.com

There is financial assistance available for Oregon Juniors through the Oregon State Grange Foundation. Contact your district trustee for more information. So far Juniors from North End Grange #820, Wallowa County, have received financial assistance from the foundation

# 2018 Lane County Fair Grange Day

The Lane County Fair will be July 18 through 22 in Eugene, Oregon at the FairgGrounds. Wednesday, July 18 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 18th. Copies of the coupon will not be acceptable. Please cut the coupon out of the Grange Bulletin and save it for July 18th.

### LANE COUNTY FAIR **GRANGE DAY, JULY 18, ONLY** ADMIT TWO FOR THE PRICE OF ONE VISIT GRANGE DISPLAYS



On Grange Day the Lane Pomona Grange and the Lane County Fair will sponsor a Veggie & Fruit Dress Up Contest. All contestants (age 10 years and younger) who have a Dress Up Veggie or Fruit will get in FREE up to 1:00 pm on Grange Day (July 18).

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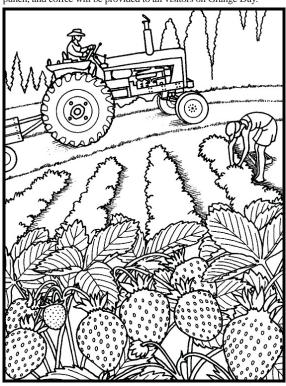
#### Contest Rules

- Contestants must be 10 years or younger. One entry per person. contestant will get in FREE on Wednesday until 1:00 pm if they bring in a dressed up fruit or vegetable.
- The Contestants will be divided into four categories according to age:

Category 1: 2, 3, and 4 Category 2: 5 and 6 Category 3: 7 and 8 Category 4: 9 and 10

- The entries must be submitted between 11:00 am and 2:00 pm on Wednesday, July 18.
- The entries must be submitted at the Grange area inside of the Wheeler Pavilion (the building West of the Main Fair entrance off of 13th Avenue.)
- The judging will be conducted by three Pomona Grange members.
- The judging will be based on such attributes as originality, imagination, presentation, and appearance.
- Winners will be posted Wednesday, July 18 by 3:30 pm in the Grange area.
- H. The top three winners in each category will receive awards.
- Each entry will receive a participation ribbon and several Honor Mention ribbons will be given out in each category.

Please come join us and bring your Dress Up Veggie or Fruit. Cookies, punch, and coffee will be provided to all visitors on Grange Day.







## Membership Matters

Bob Ludi - ludibo51@yahoo.com Sandi Ludi - sandiludi5@aol.com **OSG Membership Directors** 

# State Grange Convention - Here we come!!

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at State Grange in beautiful Astoria, Oregon. Drop by to see us at the Membership table. You won't be disappointed. We will have some leftover from last year v neck tees and polos and a few new sweatshirts to purchase. There will be other items as well as membership pamphlets to take back to your Grange.

As promised we want to share the rest of the Membership Tips from some of the National Grange Officers as well as State Masters from across the nation.

#### Membership Tips From Across The Nation!!

Tennessee - Judy Sherrod, Master and National Secretary

Horseshoe Tournament is held by one of their Granges annually with a \$5.00 entry fee. They sell homemade ice cream for \$1.00 a cup and grilled hamburgers and hot dogs with chips and coleslaw and baked beans for \$5.00 a plate and they also sell baked goods. It's a great fundraising event for the Grange. It also helps people to see their hall, catch up with friends and county leaders are always there shaking hands with their constituents. On election years they know it will be a great place to meet and greet. Their Grange is well known in the area because of this event. It is a very competitive event with 1st to 3rd place teams getting a trophy. The Grangers are friendly and the Grange bulletin board is full of news clippings and photos of accomplishments and service projects as well as State GWA and Lecturer contest rules, etc. Someone is available to answer questions about the Grange and give out applications.

Washington - Chris Hamp, National Grange Lecturer

Placemats - Chris's Grange created a placemat for their Pancake Breakfasts. The placemat includes rental information, contest information, their Mission Statement, Grange FAQs and service/community activities. It is great to hear

conversations about the information on the placemats and to see folks folding them up and taking them home.

Activity Night - Her Grange meets twice a month. The first meeting of the month is an open Activity Night. It has been a great success. Each Activity Night begins with a potluck dinner (sometimes with a theme) followed by the activity. Activities are fun, family oriented and free. Examples include:

Trivia and Tacos, Bingo, Talent Show, Art Show, Fire Safety, History of the U.S. Flag, Chinese New Year Celebrations, Diaper Drive and Dutch Oven dinner. inspirational address by the Iron Nun to name a few. They have new folks in their hall every month and have gained several new members (predominately young families). Yay!!

Colorado - Cindy Greer, National Ceres

Free breakfast - Her Grange hosts a free breakfast on the 5th Saturday of the month. They have an average of 100 people in attendance and there are always new faces.

Cindy says that the key to getting and retaining members is two fold:

- A Grange has to be an active body in the community to attract new members. Providing opportunities for education, involvement, and socialization.
- 2. Continue to ask them to join. Keep in mind that they may say "No" several times before saying "Yes".

We wish to thank all those who shared with us their Membership Tips. Our hope is that your Grange will take these ideas to heart and make them a reality.

Turn the word MEMBERSHIP into an action word!! Get your Grange to CONNECT with the COMMUNITY and ASK nonmembers to join. It's as easy as 1,2,3!! Just do it!!



Above is Vickie High (left) receiving the 25-year certificate for her son Andy High from Midland Master, Louise Holst.

# Midland Awards 40-vear Seal

Midland Grange #781, Klamath County, had the honor of awarding a mother and her son with continuous membership awards totaling sixty-five years of support to the Grange. Vickie High was awarded a 40-year seal and her son Andy received his Silver Star Certificate from Oregon State Grange for twenty-five years of membership. Unfortunately, Andy was not able to attend so his mother accepted it for him. Midland congratulates both of them and thanks them for all their support of the Grange.

# **Springwater Recognizes Five** Members with 40-year Seals As part of their Grange Month activities Springwater Grange #263,

Clackamas County, recognized five members with 40-year seals and pins. Receiving their seals at their April 23rd meeting were Suzy Ramm, Don Guttridge and Rob Guttridge. Also receiving seals but not present were Alan Guttridge and Tim Guttridge.

Springwater is the third Grange Sister Ramm has belonged to, whereas Springwater Grange is the one and only for all the Guttridge brothers. All five are members of Grange Legacy families.



Springwater Master Tami Guttridge presented Suzy Ramm Don Guttridge and Rob Guttridge with their 40-year seals and pins during Grange Month.

# Umatilla/Morrow Pomona To **Discuss-Vote on Their Future**

At the April 28th meeting of at 1pm at The Panda Inn in Umatilla/Morrow Pomona held Hermiston, Oregon. at Columbia Grange a motion was made to disband the Pomona and refer the question to the membership of Umatilla/Morrow Pomona Grange #26 for a vote.

The meeting and vote has been scheduled for Sunday, July 1, 2018

There will be a no host dinner with further discussion and a final vote. All members of Umatilla/Morrow Pomona are requested to attend and let their voices be heard. Please join in this very important meeting.







Lane County Granges got together to discuss Veterans needs and what Granges can do to help.

# Lane County Pomona Grange Holds Veterans Conference

Seven of Lane Pomona's Granges were represented at the May 5 Veterans Conference organized by Lane Pomona Veterans Chair Mike Cantrall and held at Creswell Grange #496. Those with members present were Central, Creswell, Dorena, Goshen, London, Lorane, and Mohawk-McKenzie.

The meeting began with Subordinate Grange members sharing information about what their Granges are currently doing to help veterans. A round of applause went to Central Grange members Beth and Lloyd Anderson who explained that their Grange raises funds for a specific fund to help veterans. One of the veterans they helped was in danger of losing his home because of delayed income. Their loan saved his house from foreclosure.

There were several suggestions for ways Granges might be able to assist veterans in our communities.

Misty Burris (Lorane/Creswell)

- suggested partnering with "Armed To Farm," a program that helps veterans become farmers.
- Marne Nelson (Mohawk-McKenzie) and Mike Cantrall (Creswell/Lorane) said there is a Stand Down planned in Eugene in October. They said Granges could collect needed items and distribute them from a Grange table at the Stand Down.
- Ken Schwieger (London/ Dorena) said Granges should also be looking for ways to help the families of currently deployed service members.
   He also mentioned that it would be good to partner with other organizations that serve veterans and service members.

Other ideas discussed included holding dinners for veterans and becoming a resource to help veterans learn about and connect with the services available to them.



The panel to facilitate discussion was Mike Cantrall, Creswell Grange (standing); Patrick Dearth, Creswell Grange; Marne Nelson, Mohawk-McKenzie Grange; Riley Tucker, Goshen Grange and Katrina Bowser, Mohawk-McKenzie Grange. All three of the men are veterans and the husbands of both women were veterans.



#### Veterans

Jim Clute james\_clute@yahoo.com

Oregon State Grange Veterans Director

#### Vet Committee Tour at State Convention

Meet Friday June 22 at 12:45pm in the Clatsop County Fair and Expo parking lot. Transportation will be provided to and from the military base for a tour which will include:

- A presentation on the units and the Coast Guard missions conducted in our area of responsibility.
- Viewing and stepping inside the cockpit of a helicopter while learning about Search and Rescue from one of the pilots or flight crew personnel.
- Meeting members of the Boarding Team and Incident Management Division to discuss maritime law enforcement and pollution response.

We are making a list, and all are welcome. Call Jim Clute (503) 953-4171

#### VA Pilot Program "Telehealth"

For rural veterans suffering from post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), [the VA hasn't changed to PTSI yet] "Telehealth" is designed to take the treatment to veterans rather than make the veterans come to treatment. Rural veterans travel long distances to see a VA mental health specialist, and that can prevent them from seeking the treatment they need.

For more information go to www. mil.com - Veterans Health Care Mental Health and Wellness Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD).

#### Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services (DACOWITS)

The military released its 2017 annual report on matters relating to women serving in the Armed Forces and gathered information on 13 topics from multiple sources including detailed reasoning supporting each recommendation addressed by the committee. Information about DACOWITS can be found on the DACOWITS website.

#### 2018 Veteran of The Year Nomination

The "Veterans Commemoration Association" (VCA) is asking Granges to submit nominations for Veteran of the Year. One Veteran will be chosen from the Mid-Willamette Valley area who has:

- stepped up and quietly stood out within their community through their volunteer efforts since separation from military service
- served both country and community with honor and distinction

The VCA encourages individuals, community and veteran organizations to nominate a veteran that they feel deserving due to their outstanding volunteer activities in their community.

The winner will be a guest of honor at the annual banquet Friday November 9, 2018 at the Linn County Fair and Expo Center, interviewed by area news coverage and ride up front in the Veterans Day Parade on Saturday November 10th 2018.

Application must include nominating organization/individual name, address, phone number, email address as well as nominees name, address, phone number, email address, DD214 or separation papers, a detailed list of volunteer activities, organizations and experiences that sets the applicant apart and raised the bar in their Mid-Willamette Valley Community.

Deadline is August 17, 2018. For more information:

VCA office PO Box 3241 Albany OR 97321 (541) 981-2390 albanyveteransdayparade@gmail. com

#### Albany Veterans Day Parade Saturday November 10, 2018

The State Grange has participated in this event in the past and we plan on being there this year. Please call Jim Clute (503) 953-4171. More information in will be future Grange Bulletins.



# Don't Miss State Grange Veterans Tour Friday June 22

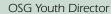
Contact: James Clute.
OSG Veterans Committee Director by Monday June
18th to reserve your spot
(503)953-4171
james\_clute@yahoo.com

925 Gales Creek Rd, Forest Grove, Oregon 97116



# Grange Youth & Young Adults

Connie Suing csuing@hotmail.com



I am looking forward to almost a week with some of the greatest young people I know, the Oregon State Grange Youth and Young Adults. You all inspire me so much and I can't wait to see all of your smiling faces. At this 2018 State Grange Convention we are honored to be joined by our National Youth and Young Adult Director Charlene Shupp Espenshade. She will give us some great guidelines to follow and inspiration to take back to our home Granges.

We will have a pretty full week with early morning practices, session committee meetings, working in the concession stand or selling Goodie Basket tickets, a car wash, weather permitting, with the funds going to a charity of our choice in the Astoria area, and a couple workshops. I know you will all "Be Delighted" to help out wherever and whenever you are asked and are able to.

Some important repeats from last year:

We are "Keeping Oregon Warm". Please encourage and remind your Grangers and Granges to donate handmade or store-bought gloves, hats, scarves, mittens, and socks and bring them to State Convention so we can distribute them where they are needed in District #3.



- I would love to see you guys entering some of the contests; whether it's Jeopardy, signa-song, code reading, the talent contest, the Horizon Leadership ambassador program, or contests through the Lecturers or GWA committees. These contests are really fun and worth doing.
- Also, if you haven't taken your 5th or 6th degree, both are available on Sunday afternoon and evening. Even if you have taken them come and watch, you learn something new and valuable about the Grange every time you see them.

And remember, your Youth and Young Adult committee is here to help, so don't be afraid to ask.

See you soon.





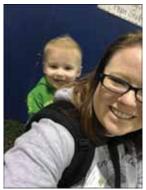
# Grange Jeopardy – State Contest

This year as in the past couple of years the state contest will be in two parts, the oral game and a written quiz. The oral part will be on Saturday evening as part of the Talent night and the written test will be given following the close of session on Tuesday night. The questions at the state level this year will come from the Grange Manual and any page on the Oregon State Grange website. That includes the OSG Bulletin, programs and contests and the 2018 National Grange Digest of Laws.

Oregon can send three contestants to the regional contest in Olympia, Washington the first weekend in August. Those that place in the top three will automatically be on the team but several alternates will be selected with the hope that Oregon will have three contestants at Regionals.

If you are interested in participating in this program, please let State Director, Connie Suing, know by Saturday afternoon June 23.

# Youth/Young Adults Helpat Ag Fest





Several Oregon Youth and Young Adults worked in the transplant section of the Grange's booth at Ag Fest. Left is Jessie Jo Guttridge of Springwater Grange helping a young man decide between a marigold and tomato. Above left is Breanna McKay of Abernethy Grange and her son Dean. We start them young. Above right is Briauna and Cameron Herrick of Walterville Grange watering a freshly transplanted marigold.

# Farm Bureau Awards Youth Grant

Austin VanHouten, a member of Riversdale Grange #731 in Douglas County, is the recipient of the 2018 Youth Entrepreneur Grant, the Douglas County Farm Bureau announced in May. VanHouten has received \$1,300 to put toward the purchase of new sheep shearing equipment. Austin raises his own sheep and plans to pursue a career in sheep shearing for others locally in addition to shearing his own. He will be attending shearing school later this spring. The Youth Entrepreneur Grant is intended to provide high school students with startup money to begin a long-term agricultural business.

In addition to Riversdale Grange, Austin is a member of the Oakland FFA and the Heavenly Ranchers 4-H Club. He was recognized at this year's State FFA Convention for receiving the Umpqua District Sheep Proficiency Award. Austin also serves on the Oregon 4-H Ambassador team.



Austin VanHouten being recognized for receiving the Umpqua District Sheep Proficiency Award at this year's State FFA Convention in Redmond.

Photo courtesy of the Oregon FFA, CDarland Photography

# **Upcoming Dates/Deadlines**

Multnomah Central Library 150 Years of Grange Now - June 24 Display - 801 SW 10th Ave, Portland

June 23-28 Oregon State Grange Convention - Clatsop

County Fair and Expo, Astoria

Western Region Leadership and Youth August 3-5 Conference, Red Lion Hotel, Olympia,

Washington

August 6 Application for Grange Legacy Family

recognition due at National headquarters

Applications for Distinguished Grange must be

August 24 -Oregon State Fair - Oregon State Grange Log September 3

Cabin - Salem, Oregon

Sign up to be host for a shift - watch for more details in the August/September Bulletin

September 15 Pomona Task Force Training

September 21-23 Fall Youth Conference, Terrebonne Grange

November 13-17 152<sup>nd</sup> National Grange Convention - Stoweflake

Mountain Resort & Spa - Stowe, Vermont



It's June already! It must be because Mom has been watching those Hallmark movies and they have all been about weddings, although some do have dogs in them. I think that if you are looking for someone to love, it's probably time to get a dog! We require so much less work than people. Am I right? You don't have to argue over the remote control for the TV, although I have been known to change channels when I sit on it. Dogs generally eat the same food everyday so no "what's for dinner, honey?" And we forgive very easily.

It's that last statement that can apply to the love of your life, your best friend, or your Grange friends,. Do you humans forgive easily? If someone in your Grange makes a mistake or does something you don't like, do you get over it, or do you hold a grudge? Do you continue to growl and be unpleasant or do you forget all about the growling and invite them to play a little ball or tug of war, or whatever you humans do for fun? Most dogs want to get along with each other and not fight. Humans should be more like us. I'll tell you what, we dogs will teach you how to get along, and you can share some of your food variety with us! That sounds like a delicious deal to me!

While we are on the subject of being nice to each other, don't forget about the shelter dogs out there and enter the "Bailey's Good Dog Contest" at State Convention. All the entries are donated to a nearby shelter for the dogs that are looking for their forever home, maybe with you? Have a "lovely" June!

Woof, Bailey



# 2018 Western Regional Grange Conference Hotel RL by Red Lion - 2300 Evergreen Park Drive SW - Olympia WA August 3-5, 2018 "Crossing the Ecrizon to a Eright Future" Registration Form City: Email: Emergency Contact: Name: ☐ Junior (ages 5 to 13) ☐ Youth (ages 14 to 35) ☐ Adult (ages 36+) lovers dinner on Friday, breakfast, lunch and dinner on Saturday and breakfast on Sunday as well as the ring room, snacks and all conference materials: Registration Sees are: I conference - \$75 per person — Saturday only (all day) - \$60 — Saturday dinner only - \$40 Total Amount Due to: Washington State Grange (Checks - No Credit Cards) Make checks possible to the Washington State Grange and mod with registration form as: Washington State Grange, PO Box 1186, Olympia WA 98507 Lodging: [Lodging] [Lodging] [Mott RL, by Had Lion, 2100 Evergmen Park Drive SW, Olympia WA 98591. Rooms are \$126.00 plus tax for either a room with 1 king or 2 queen bods. You will need to specify room type preference when making reservations. The room block will be reliased on July 14. [Make arrangement directly with the hatel 1-800-733-5466 – identify yourself as being with the Washington State Grange Arriving by Air: SeaTac International Airport is one hour from Olympia. The commute could take two boars, depending upon time of day and traffic. Please context the WA State Grounge office if you are flying in and month amountain in Olympia. We will attempt to provide that service. ter will be created of all attendees. The following information to be included: Name, Address I, Phone, Grange Name and 8. Do we have your permission to publish your personal informat or to be distributed to all Grange members attending the 2018 Western Regional Grange ones and videos will be taken at the conference and used to mission to publish photos and videos of yes? Yes □ No ☐ Yes ☐ No

Questions? Contact the WA State Grange Office at 360-943-9911 or email tagwing wa-grange.org



# **Ag Fest Thank You**

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

Morgan Eipp Aislin McClain Jan McCorkle Paula Herrick Alice Nowicki Jay Sexton Jeff Dehne Alison Hennes Peggy Jillson Belinda Sanchez Jessie Jo Guttridge Riley Reynolds Jon Woo Bob Ludi Riona McClain Breanna McKay Joyce Parker Roger Williamson Briauna Herrick Judy Hays-Eberts Roweena Miller Cameron Herrick Kate McClain Sally Clute Katrina Cooper Bowser Cathy Kieling Sandi Ludi Cookie Trupp Ken Schwieger Kim Woo Dan LeBrun Sonny Hays-Eberts Dean Kieling Liz Dehne Susan Noah Dennis Chapman Makiah Woo Suzy Ramm Malcolm Trupp Diane Kaser Tim Dehne Dick Putnam Marilyn Reiher Tina Reynolds Elaine Chapman Mark Noah Matt Kaser Vernon Herrick Heather Noble Jacki Sanchez Mauricio Sanchez Wanda Putnam



# OSG Executive Committee Meeting Minutes - January 20, 2018

Meeting was called to order at 9:10am by Master Susan Noah. Celia Luttrell, Sarah Kingsborough, Don Sether, and Jeff Dehne were present. Roger Wilson was absent.

Previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

#### **Financial Reports**

- Current financial reports including balance sheet and fund balances were reviewed. We had good discussion regarding funds that have not been used in recent years. In the future we may consider proposing changes to the funds, so they are working better for the Grange.
- Grange membership reports were reviewed. 2017 final numbers are not available until all quarterly reports are received. Thus far we have a net gain of 183 members. Yippee! This is the first year we've shown a net gain in membership in many years.
- Past due reports, dues, and loan payments were discussed.
- Scott Barker our financial consultant provided us with an investment update. He walked through the Charles Schwab outlook for 2018.
   The OSG in 2017 has an unrealized 10.87% return on invested funds. We discussed realized and unrealized gains, and how our bookkeeping is tracking these for the many funds we have.
  - Susan and Celia will check with the accountants for their recommendation on how to show gains and losses on these funds going forward. We will discuss again at the next Executive Committee meeting.

#### Unfinished Business

- North Howell sale is finalized. We have purchased the property back from the owners at \$165,000. This was sold last January for \$210,000.
- Don will change the locks on the building and place a temporary barrier on the lot.
- Sarah moved to have Buzi Nelson list the property for sale as is.
   It shall be listed on a commercial form, for at least \$165,000, with the zoning spelled out. Don seconded the motion. Motion carried.
   We will ask her to speak with the adjacent property owners to determine interest.
- Library exhibit still on track for Multnomah Central Library. It
  will start the last weekend in April. An open house is planned for
  the first Saturday in May.
- Douglas and Lane Pomona redistricting changes have been communicated.
- Pomona Task Force meeting scheduled for 11am February 3<sup>rd</sup> at Sunnyside Grange.
- Fernwood Grange remains dormant and the property continues to show interest.
  - Werth Family is still reaching out with a request for easement. Jeff and Carol Everman met with representatives from the family regarding their requests. The easement decision was postponed to our next meeting.
  - Another neighbor and the Newberg VFW have expressed interest in purchasing the property.
  - Jeff made a motion to respond to the Newberg VFW and ask them to submit a proposal to purchase. Sarah seconded. Motion passed. Susan will also ask Buzi to provide a cost estimate.
- State Master's Conference Oregon is hosting this year's annual
  conference for State Masters at Sunnyside Grange the first weekend
  in March. Meals will be provided by Sunnyside and Clarkes for
  approximately \$20/person; \$1000 total cost to the OSG. Drivers,
  guest speakers, and other details are in the works. An Oregon
  welcome pack will be provided for each state.

#### New Business

- 2018 State Grange Convention
  - Deposit sent to Clatsop County Fairgrounds and reservations finalized.
- Resolution proposing the OSG provide a group insurance policy.
   We discussed the complications and significant expense of managing a program like this.
- Connect Americans Now coalition for broadband expansion.
  - Jeff moved that the OSG join CAN. Don seconded. Motion passed.
- State Grange Office
  - Maintenance outdoor lighting is an issue. Don will look at it later this month.
  - Staffing We will have decisions to make this year for key

positions including lobbyist, website administrator, clerical work, bookkeeping, etc.

- Grange Advocacy Inc funds received as a thank you for our legislative efforts.
  - Don moved to split the funds between our Grange connections program costs and a donation for the organization that provides the speaker at the Master's Conference. Jeff seconded, motion carried.
- Grange 101 Conferences planned for this spring. Training funds coming from the Reverted Dormant Grange Fund.
- Franklin Grange Lane County Assessor's Office has contacted the OSG regarding the property that has been dormant for several years.

#### **Grange Report**

- Carol Everman emailed her report with updates on the following Granges: Gresham, Salmon River, Brownsmead, Wickiup, Charity, Roxy Ann, Pleasant Valley and Azalea. The Granges she has been visiting recently are responding positively.
- Susan provided a report on additional Grange visits: Skyline, Siletz Valley, Union Hill, Charity.
- Jeff shared information on a few Granges as well: Creswell and Elmira

#### Decisions Made Via Email

Emails were reviewed. Jeff moved to ratify the decisions. Don seconded. Motion passed.

- Agreement to allow Springwater to withdraw \$1,931 from their trust funds for various projects
- Agreement to purchase a new computer for the Master's office
- Agreement to become a silver sponsor at the Small Farms Conference
- Agreement to allow Mt. Vernon to withdraw \$4575 from their trust funds to start work on a remodel
- Agreement to allow the State Master to withdraw approximately \$166,000 for the repurchase of North Howell Grange, per the agreement made between OSG, Mt. View Realtors, Berkshire-Hathaway Realtors, and Joanne and Daniel Traeger
- Agreement to allow Springwater Grange to withdraw \$4,317.96 from their trust funds for purchase of commercial refrigerator/freezer unit
- Agreement to counter the offer received on Fair Oaks to \$120,000
- Agreement to fund Subordinate Grange membership awards for 2018 with the plan laid out by the Master

Next Meetings: Thursday April 5th, Saturday May 26th

Meeting adjourned at 3:45pm Sarah Kingsborough, Secretary

# Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2 Awards 2018 Granger of the Year



On May 8, 2018, Pomona Master Sam Keator traveled to Kinton Grange to present Joe Peter, Kinton Grange's Master with the Pomona Outstanding Granger of the Year Award. Amongst his peers, Joe is a stand up Granger that has, when able, accepted the responsibility and has followed through to keep the Kinton Grange active in his community!



# 2018 Preferential Election Results for Oregon State Grange Officers

Below are the results of the 2018 Preferential Election held in the Subordinate/Community Granges in April. Votes were counted at the state office on Wednesday May 9th. Thank you to the Election Board: Chairman Marilyn Reiher, Past Master Washington-Yamhill Pomona #2, Jesse O'Dell, Master Linn Pomona #12, Ken Schwieger, Master Lane Pomona #14, Rose Esbenshade, Master Lincoln Pomona #10, Anne Startin, Master Marion Pomona #4, Jency Rosasco, Master Polk Pomona #3, Alice Nowicki, Master London #937, Lane County, Roberta O'Dell, Master Santiam Valley #828, Maxine Smith, Linn County Deputy and JaDala Coyle, Lacomb #907 Linn County.

The name of 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. Because of an error on some of the ballots, none of the votes for Chaplain were counted and both names will appear on the ballot at state convention.

The final election for state officers will be held on Monday June 25 from 4-6pm. Installation of officers will be held on Thursday June 28th starting at 1:30pm at the Clatsop County Fair and Expo.

MASTER Susan Noah	718	GATEKEEPER James Clute	716
OVERSEER Jay Sexton	716	CERES Elizabeth "Liz" Dehne	400
Jay Sexton	/10	Jessie Jo Guttridge	329
LECTURER		Jessie Jo Gutti idge	329
Cookie (Lamora) Trupp	703	POMONA	
		Mikela Heimuller	378
STEWARD		Leila Dumolt	363
Phil Van Buren	258		
Lexie Suing	257	FOR FLORA	
Cole Wilson	232	Eva Frost	736
ASSISTANT STEWARD		EX. COMMITTEE #1	
Tim Dehne	721	John Fine	385
		Jeff Dehne	365
LADY ASSISTANT STEWA	ARD		
Maggie Swartzendruber	710	EX.COMMITTEE #2	
		Sam Keator	726
<u>CHAPLAIN</u>			
Peggy Fine	N/C	EX. COMMITTEE #3	
Dan La Brun	N/C	Louise Holst	348
		David McBride	266
<u>TREASURER</u>		Richard A. McDonnell	129
Paula Herrick	724		

# Warner Grange Holds Work Day



Warner Grange #117, Clackamas County, held a work day on Saturday Mach 24th. Volunteers from groups that use the hall as well as local community volunteers showed up to prune, pile and burn brush and spread mulch. Many hands make light work. Thank you to Pack 503 and all the scouts and parents who helped out. More than 85 volunteer hours were accumulated in a morning.



# Were Your Grange's Votes Counted?

Possibly not. The Election Board met May 9 to count the votes for Oregon State Grange officers. The Certified Reports of twenty Granges were not counted.

- Four Granges were late; the deadline to be in the office was May 5th at 5 pm.
- Three reports did not have the Grange's seal though it was on their last quarterly report. There was no indication that the seal was missing or any explanation of why it wasn't use. This Board probably allowed more creative "seals" than in previous years. The next Board may not. So, if your seal cannot be found or no longer works, now it the time to replace it.
- Four Secretaries marked the candidate who received the most votes in their Grange with a check or an X, but did not record the number of votes cast for each candidate. The Election Board could not add check marks or Xs to the vote count.
- Nine Granges did not have a quorum of seven members. Leaving the question blank may have worked against you. If you said there were seven present, we counted the votes even if only five members voted. But if you left the question blank and only five voted, your report went into the Do Not Count pile.
- Counters did not count votes for candidates who received more votes than members present. For example, one Grange said there were ten present, but the three candidates for Steward received a total of eleven votes. The votes for other offices were counted, but not for Steward.
- Three Granges sent in their ballots, and one even sent the stubs. Your Grange is to count your ballots, fill out the Certified Report and mail it, and keep the ballots and stubs until after the 2018 State Grange Convention.

Please put the name and number of your Grange and your county at the top of the Certified Report. Without that information, the identity of your Grange becomes a mystery. Fortunately, someone on the Election Board recognized the name of the Master or Secretary so the votes were counted. This year's Board was comprised of members from Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk and Washington counties. Next time you may not be so lucky.

# Hurricane Creek Holds Fundraiser

Wallowa County, had a fundraiser to support their effort to replace the hardwood flooring in their main hall. They fed the community five different types of chili on a donation basis and then the highlight of the afternoon was of course their dessert auction. As in all Grange areas people gather when they hear that the Grange members have been

Hurricane Creek Grange #608, baking and are going to offer their wares for sale. Over \$1900 was raised from both efforts and the auctioneer, Stanley Cannon, came in from North End Grange to help out. He of course brought in other North End Grange members since they are very supportive of their neighbor Granges. Working together always makes it more fun for everyone.



Pies ready and numbered for the dessert auction.



# Oregon Granges Celebrate Grange Month

# Washington Grange Celebrates 150 Years of Grange

On Saturday, April 7, 2018, Washington Grange #313, Washington County celebrated Grange Month and the 150th Anniversary of the National Grange by opening up the hall and inviting the public to meet their county commissioners.

Their honored guests were District 2 County Commissioner Greg Malinowski and his wife; from District 4 Kimberly Culbertson and Shelby Blake who represented Jerry Willey as he was on an airplane heading home from New York that afternoon. Also, in attendance was Ryan Deckert who was a candidate for Washington County Commisioner Chair.

The Grange had many items on display to showcase their long rich history. After the presentations and visiting upstairs all went downstairs to enjoy a delicious lunch organized by their newest member Peggy Ivy.

Left: Ryan

Deckert is talking

over the counter

with Peggy Ivy.



On the left is Commissioner Ken Humberston, a member of Beavercreek Grange #276 with several Clackamas County Grangers.

# Clackamas County Commissioners Declared April Grange Month

On Thursday morning April 12 Clackamas County Pomona Grange attended the County Commission meeting. In addition to the commissioners declaring April Grange month they heard presentations from Pomona Master Ed Luttrell and Pomona Legislative Chairman Don Kingsborough who gave each commissioner a copy of Oregon's State Grange newspaper. Don highlighted the Clackamas County Granges mentioned in the paper with sticky notes so that the commissioners could see some of the good the Granges do. Several of the commissioners were seen leafing through the paper. Some of the commissioners chimed in with Grange experiences.



# Canby City Council Proclaimed April 2018 Grange Month

On Wednesday evening April 3<sup>rd</sup> Warner Grange #117, Clackamas County, visited the Canby City Council meeting where the Council proclaimed April Grange Month in Canby. The event was a family affair for Tim Dale, President of the Council, with his parents Jim & Eileen Dale, Warner members, his cousin Terry Mize, Warner's Master and Joan Mize, Tim's aunt

participating.

Don Kingsborough spoke on accomplishments of Warner Grange over the last year and upcoming events including square dance lessons, painting and quilting classes and a Blue Grass music event on June 10th. The Grange has visited the City Council during Grange month at least the last five years.



Left to right: Warner members with Mayor Brian Hodson, center and at the end President of the council; Tim Dale.

# Springwater Celebrates 125

As part of their Grange Month activities Springwater Grange #263, Clackamas County, celebrated their 125th Anniversary at their meeting on April 23, 2018. The Grange was chartered on March 16, 1893. In addition to the events on April 23, Springwater Grange invited Eagle Creek Grange #297 to join them at the Estacada City Council meeting on April 9th when the Council declare April 2018 Grange Month.



Springwater Master Tami Guttridge with 125th certificate.

# West Linn Noted Grange Month

On April  $9^{th}$  the West Linn City Council recognized April as Grange Month. Council President Brenda Perry commented that she doesn't



remember the council ever doing that before. Also, that evening Don Kingsborough was presented with his award from the city for community service.

Don Kingsborough, center, with members of the West Linn City Council.

# Grange Month at Chetco #765

Many gathered on Friday, April 27<sup>th</sup> at Chetco Grange #765, Curry County for a Soup Supper and a Dance recognizing their First Responders and their Vets as part of Grange Month.

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