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SEASIDE — OREGON —

See You in Seaside

“Follow the Light to Seaside” to the 139th Oregon State Grange Convention and find out why Seaside is more than just a day at the beach! Seaside is located just 90 miles from Portland and has something for young and old. This year’s State Session will be held at the Seaside Convention Center June 11-15, 2012. You won’t want to miss the fun, fellowship, policy-making, and learning opportunities.

*Seaside Convention Center
415 1st Avenue, Seaside, OR*

Major Schedule Changes

This year’s convention is a week earlier than “the way we’ve always done it.” Some schools will be out for the summer, and others will be finishing mid-week. To accommodate our youth, the State Youth Officers will open the Grange on Friday morning (instead of Thursday), making **Friday Youth Day**. Catering dinners through the convention center is very expensive and many of our members would not be able to participate.

We have switched all banquets to luncheons.

Monday

OSG Foundation
soup & salad bar
\$9.50 adults
\$6.50 12 & under

Tuesday

Membership
oven fried chicken
\$12.50 adults
\$8.50 12 & under

Wednesday

GWA (no change)
beef stroganoff
\$10.50 adults
\$7.00 12 & under

Thursday

Officers -State officers eat with their Junior & Youth counterparts
Past State Officers
Delegates and visitors sit with others who hold the same office

hamburgers/hot dogs
\$9.50 adults
\$6.50 12 & under

Friday

Youth
Beef stew
\$7.00 adults
\$5.00 12 & under

Dinners will be out on-the-town (good for the Seaside economy) or at your place of lodging. The schedule will allow 2 hours for each luncheon and dinner break.

Kick-Off Banquet

The Kick-Off Banquet will be at the near-by American Legion Hall. The theme will be an “Indoor Picnic at the Beach.” We considered a picnic on the beach, but the weather on June 10 can be chilly. Last year the temperature range was 57 to 51. The average high on June 10 is 63, driven up by a record high of 82 in 1941, and the average low is 49, driven down by a record low of 39 in 1973. The menu will be ham, baked beans, potato salad, green salad, chips, dessert, and beverage. The price is \$11 for adults and \$7.50 for children 12 and under. We will have door prizes and other surprises. So don’t miss the fun.

*American Legion Hall
1315 Broadway St, ½ mile from
Convention Center*

The American Legion has been very accommodating. They appreciate our strong support of veterans.

Debate and Voting on Resolutions

State Master Mark Noah has indicated that he does **not** plan to delay resolutions until Thursday and Friday as we did last year. The first few resolutions will come to the floor on Tuesday morning, and others will be discussed on Wednesday morning. Typically resolutions

that are not controversial come out of committee first.

RV Parks

See Reserve Seaside Lodging Early elsewhere in this issue for an updated list of motels and RV parks. While RV parking is not as convenient as last year, there are spots in Seaside and nearby Cannon Beach as well as at Fort Stevens.

Contact Eva Frost at twins2@opusnet.com or 503-543-7720 with your car pool concerns or if you will have room in your car to help pool others. Our plan will be to have a coordinator available at each camp site to help with car pool information.

Child Care

Do you have a child under the age of 5 or a child of Junior age who will not be participating in the Junior program? District #3 will have a certified childcare provider available at these times:

Sunday during the Worship Service.

Monday morning
Tuesday morning, afternoon, and during Lecturer’s Program.

Wednesday morning and during 5th & 6th Degrees.

Thursday morning, afternoon, and evening.

Friday morning, afternoon, and evening.

Pre-notification is required if you need child care during conferences, session committee meetings, and/or youth practices.

Contact Evelyn Hudson at twins2@opusnet.com or 503-543-7720 to schedule. (Yes, this is the same email and phone number as above; Evelyn is twin 2.)

The Oregon State Grange pays for some babysitting cost, but donations will be appreciated.

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Warren grange news, Wallowa
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Bulletin Deadline
March issue
Feb. 20, 2012

New State Master & Overseer Assume Duties

The Oregon State Grange began 2012 with a new Master following the resignation of Larry Rea as Master of the Oregon State Grange on December 31. According to our by-laws the Overseer, Mark Noah, automatically became the new Master on January 1 and was installed that same day by National Grange Master Ed Luttrell.

At the January 6 meeting of the OSG Executive Committee, Claudia Boswell of Wallowa County, was selected as the new Overseer. She was installed January 14 by Membership Co-Director Malcolm Trupp. She will serve until her replacement is chosen at the June State Session.

Our new Master has been the OSG Overseer since 2006. Brother Noah, a long-time Granger, is a member of the Mohawk-McKenzie Grange #747 in Lane County. He is employed by Chemeketa Community College in Salem as an occupational skills training specialist. His term will end with the selection of a new Master at the State Session.

The Executive Committee was notified of Brother Rea's resignation on December 27 by email in which he noted that he "appreciated and thanked those who were willing to sacrifice their time and effort to further the Grange in Oregon."

Sister Boswell is a member of South Fork Grange #605 in Lostine where she serves as its Lecturer and as the Wallowa Pomona Master. She joined the Grange in 1981.

She retired this past June after 31 years of teaching general elementary grades K-8 and music K-12. At the OSG level, she served on the Junior and Education Committees and was the reader of the resolutions for several years. She is also known for her musical skills, having represented Oregon at two National Grange Conventions in the family music competition.

Master Noah explained to the OSG Executive Committee meeting on January 6, that he considers the next six months to be a "transitional" period for our organization as several new state officers will be selected in June.

Electronic communications will play a major role in his workload. It should also be noted that, because of his full time job at Chemeketa, he will not be available at the state Grange office on a regular basis.



Mark Noah
Master Oregon State Grange

The Master's Column

If you've viewed the Oregon State Grange website recently you are among those who already know that Brother Larry Rea resigned effective 12/31/11. Our bylaws state that the Overseer shall immediately take over the office of Master for the remainder of the current term. As Overseer I succeeded Brother Larry as Master of the Oregon State Grange. I was installed in a brief ceremony on January 1, 2012 and will serve in this position until 1:30pm on June 15, 2012, at which time we will install a newly elected Master. In accordance with our Digest, the Executive Committee of the Oregon State Grange was charged with the duty of selecting a new Overseer and at our regularly scheduled meeting on January 6 Claudia Boswell was appointed and has accepted the appointment.

So, the chairs are filled and business goes on. I know you join me in appreciation for the efforts put forth by the Directors of our standing committees, and since Directors serve from one State Grange delegate session to the next I expect no changes in that group of dedicated Grange leaders. State Deputies John Knox, Derrell Witty and Phyllis Wilson retain their positions and I will rely on them for vital assistance in the field. Our office operations will not be affected by this change.

Planning for our 2012 convention is proceeding in a highly organized and detail-conscious manner by a very capable District 3 planning committee, and our sessions in Seaside promise to be fun and productive. I encourage you to attend, whether you are a delegate or simply an interested Granger. The obvious purpose of our annual delegate convention is to deliberate upon policy, but I believe the opportunity for communication with Grange members from around the state is of equal or greater importance. Our convention is where we see old friends, make new friends,

exchange ideas, congratulate each other for our successes and help each other solve our problems. I have never failed to learn something about some current issue whether it is one I support or oppose, and I always bring home useful information to share with my Grange. I'll see you in Seaside!

Last Saturday I had the opportunity to accompany National Master Ed Luttrell on his visit to Fruitdale Grange in Josephine Pomona to recognize their achievement as having the largest member gain by percentage of any Subordinate/Community Grange, nationwide. How did this happen? Communication! Fruitdale's membership was shrinking to a critical level but their hall receives a lot of use by local groups who had no idea there was a problem. When news got out that the Grange needed members, almost 40 people stepped up and paid a full year's dues. Now, once we get them we need to hold on to them, but step one is to get them and Fruitdale proved you can do it. Do the people who use your hall realize they are using a Grange hall? Do they know that you would like them to join? Put out the welcome mat, ask someone to join, Communicate!

Fraternally
Mark Noah
Master Oregon State Grange

BULLETIN DEADLINES

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District #3 Welcomes You

Your hosts for the 2012 State Session are:

- Five Granges in Clatsop County
- Nine in Columbia County
- Two in Tillamook County
- Ten in Washington County
- Two in Yamhill County



Columbia, Tillamook, and Washington-Yamhill Pomonas are busy preparing for your visit. We look forward to seeing you in Seaside.

Clatsop County

Netel Grange #410

Date chartered: March 20, 1910
 Location: 90525 Logan Road, Astoria
 Date hall construction completed and first meeting held: October 16, 1910
 Meeting date and time: Third Saturday, 6 pm
 Number of members: 20
 Master: Joseph Stevenson
 Best known for: Dances



Wickiup #722

Date chartered: 1930
 Location: 92683 Svensen Market Rd, Astoria
 Meeting date and time: First Saturday 9 am PDT, 10 am PST, alternate with Brownsmead
 Number of members: 18
 Master: Mike Posey
 Best known for: 3rd weekend monthly flea market



Olney #793

Date chartered: 1931
 Location: 89342 Highway 202, Astoria
 Date hall first occupied: 1933
 Meeting date and time: First Tuesday 7 pm
 Number of members: 32
 Master: Judy Fisher
 Best known for: Annual Beef Barbecue third Sunday in September; this is our annual fundraiser, allowing us to maintain our hall, let the 4H and Boy Scout troops use our facility, and sponsor community events: garage sales, Hood-to-Coast, bingo nights, forest management workshops, and community coffee times.



Brownsmead #822

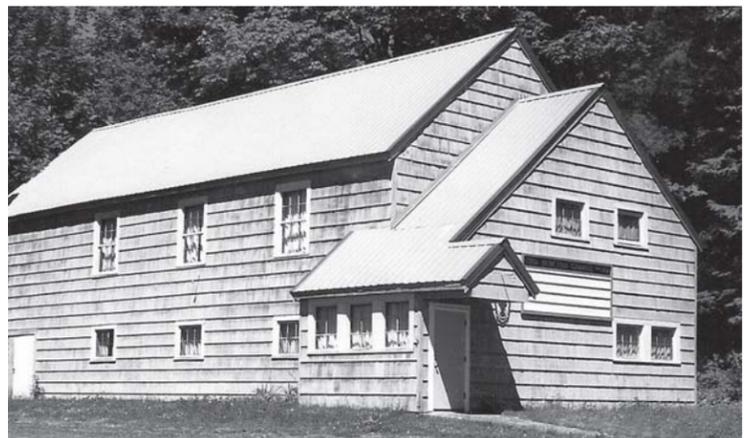
Date chartered: 1935
 Location: 42280 Fish Lane, Astoria
 Meeting date and time: First Saturday 9 am PDT, 10 am PST, alternate with Wickiup
 Number of members: 13
 Master: Jon Westerholm
 Best known for: Annual corn feed
 Other projects: Annual rummage sale for Brownsmead Historical Society



Columbia County

Yankton #301

Date chartered: September 15, 1901
 Location: 33065 Pittsburg Rd, St Helens
 Date hall was built: 1902
 Meeting date and time: 3rd Wednesday 6:30 pm, potluck at 5:30
 Number of members: 3
 Master: 1 Erin Salisbury
 Best known for: Friendliness and support of community
 Other projects: Plant sale the day before Mother's Day; spring and fall strawberry breakfasts



Beaver Valley Grange #306

Beaver Valley Grange was organized October 25, 1901. The hall was built over the next year. The original structure is encased within the present hall, extensively remodeled in the 1980s and rededicated in 1985. Our location is 75942 Larson Rd, Rainier, four miles west of Rainier. We have 65 members and meet on the third Thursdays, 8 pm. Our Master is John G. Curtis. He and his wife Harriet just received their Golden Sheaf certificates.



Quincy #321

Date chartered: July 24, 1902 as Clatskanie Grange; name changed to Quincy October 6, 1994.
 Location: 78314 Rutter Rd, Clatskanie, 3-1/2 miles NE of Clatskanie
 Date current hall was built: October 10, 1948; first meeting place was the old Clatskanie Grade School, later our own permanent home on Rutter Rd.
 Date and meeting time: First Thursday at 7 pm
 Number of members: 35
 Master: David Willey
 Best known for: Our Annual Fried Chicken Dinner on Palm Sunday, Halloween Carnival, Fall Bazaar, and Scholarship Fund.
 Other projects: Dinner for Columbia County Small Woodlands Association, Words for Thirds, breakfasts and dinners for those in need in our community



Beaver Homes # 518

Date chartered: November 27, 1914
 Location: 31105 Beaver Homes Road,
 Rainier, OR 97048
 Date hall first occupied: July, 1916
 Meeting date and time: First Wednesday at 7 pm
 Number of members: 61
 Master: Mel Brady
 Best known for: Annual Harvest Dinner and our
 Haunted House
 Other Projects: 2011 Benefit for Rainier Police
 Chief Ralph Painter's family, 2012
 Benefit in Memory of Chief
 Painter (with Rainier High
 School), Relay for Life activities,
 Emergency Preparedness
 Planning, Homemade ice cream
 for the Columbia County Fair,
 Community dinners



Warren Grange #536

Date charter: 1915
 Location: Located in the Warren/McNulty
 area until 2010 when we sold
 our building. We are now
 located at the Columbia County
 Fairgrounds at 58892 Saulser Rd.
 in St Helens.
 Meeting time: Third Thursday, Potluck at 6 pm, Meeting at
 7 pm
 Number of members: 60
 Master: Betty Karsten
 Best known for: Fried Bread Booth at the Fair since 1968
 Other projects: 4-H Clubs, Rodeo Court, Words 4 Thirds,
 Women's Dairy Princess,
 Community Scholarship
 Foundation, Mega Egg Hunt,
 Serve @ Senior Center weekly,
 Blankets for Foster kids, Special
 Olympics, Training to help
 support the Columbia County
 Emergency Planning



Deer Island #947

Date chartered: December 11, 1980
 Location: 64001 Columbia River Hwy, Deer
 Island
 Meeting date and time: Second Thursday 7 pm
 Number of members: 35
 Master: Bill Thorpe
 Best known for: Doing Spaghetti Dinner for the
 CRPUD Customer Appreciation Week
 Other projects: Donate to Dogs for the Deaf,
 provide turkeys for Rainier and St.
 Helens Senior Centers at
 Christmas, provide a scholarship
 to a senior going into forestry or
 veterinary school in honor of
 Don Coin Walrod





Tillamook County

Sandlake # 546

Date Chartered or reorganized: March 25, 1916 & Sept 30, 1036
 Location: Sandlake, OR
 Hall was built or first occupied: ?
 Meeting time and date: First Tuesday Snacks 6:30 Meeting 7 pm
 Members: 30
 Master: Shirley Hill
 Best known for: People who go to Sandlake to ride dunes like to use the hall for weddings and get togethers.
 Other projects: Annual Spaghetti feed and Garage sale in September



White Clover #784

Date chartered: First charter as Grange #279 in 1896; re-chartered and given its current number in 1931.
 Location: Mohler; the building was built as a school around 1913. It served as the Mohler Elementary School until the 1930s when the school system transferred ownership to the Grange for \$10.00.
 Meeting date and time: First Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm
 Number of members: 38
 Master: Marie Scovell
 Best known for: Mohler Fair
 Other projects: Annual Rummage Sale and Christmas bazaar



Washington County

Tigard Grange #148

Date chartered: April 22, 1874 as "Farmers Hope" Butte Grange. Reorganized May 15, 1874 due to paper work timing of the era.
 Location: 13770 SW Pacific Highway, Tigard OR 97223
 Date hall built: Continuously occupied since 1925.
 Meetings: Second Friday at 7:30 pm. Potluck prior to the meeting at 6:30 p.m.
 Members: 40
 Master: Mark Schnetzky

The Tigard Grange hall has been a designated Historical Site since 1986 as it has been in continuous use since 1925 and is representative of the efforts of early Grange members, including John and Wilson Tigard and other founders of the local area.

Originally Tigard Grange was chartered as Butte Grange. This is referenced by the flag pole plaque set at what was likely the one year anniversary on April 15, 1926. Sometime after that the name was updated to represent the new geography.



Winona #271

Date chartered: 1895

Location: 8340 SW Seneca St, on the Tualatin Commons. Hall was dedicated in 1940; we're working hard to make it the community center

Meeting time: Second Saturday (except 1st Saturday in August) at 11 am, Potluck brunch at 10 am

Number of members: 43

Master: Loyce Martinazzi

Best known for: Grange Garden and Farmers Market Booth

Other projects: Donated one ton of fresh produce and canned goods to the local food pantry, awarded annual scholarship to a HS senior who plans to study an agricultural field, hosts two monthly music jams, distributes garden seeds, and www.winonagrance271.org



Washington #313

Date chartered: March 22, 1902

Location: 16430 NW Pumpkin Ridge Rd, North Plains 97133

Date hall was first occupied: April 1953

Meeting time: First Saturday at 11 am

Master: All of our members are as important as the Master

Best known for: Pecan dance floor – “Best in all the counties”
Dances every Saturday night continually, beginning before 1953 when they held in the older Grange hall.
Recycling newspaper way before it is/was the thing to do



Kinton #562

Date chartered: 1917

Location: 19014 SW Scholls Ferry Road, Beaverton, Oregon 97007

Hall built in: 1918

Meeting time: First Tuesday 7:30 pm meeting following 6 pm potluck dinner

Number of members: 34

Master: Joe Peter

Best known for: Annual Turkey Dinner last Sunday in October.

Other projects: Easter Egg Hunt for ARC Association for Retarded Children)





Yamhill County

McMinnville #31

Date chartered: October 2, 1873, the oldest
 continuing Grange in Oregon
 Location: 1700 Old Sheridan Rd,
 McMinnville
 Hall completed: April 1953
 Meeting time: Second Tuesday at 6:30 pm, with
 potluck at 5:30
 Number of members: 34
 Master: Ed Thurston

Best known for: Friday Night Dances with a live country western band. People come from as far away as Newport and Hillsboro. We are blessed with a loyal group of dancers.

In the past 5 years we have installed hot water in our restrooms, installed a complete furnace-air conditioning unit, replaced the tables and chairs, and upgraded the lighting both upstairs in the knotty pine-lined meeting room/dance floor and in the downstairs dining area where we have new paint and installed beautiful paintings as window treatments. We built a wheelchair ramp and made a restroom upstairs wheelchair accessible. Outside we repainted, removed two huge trees that had become unsafe, cleared brush and blackberries, and installed a fire pit. A young man used our fire pit as a project to get his Eagle Scout Badge, by adding a cement pad around it. Our Pomona will meet at the fire pit in September for our picnic.

Other projects: We regularly make donations to other non-profit groups and Granges that are having fundraisers. We held Spaghetti feeds for both Y-CAP and the March of Dimes this past year. Our local 4-H uses our facilities for special seminars.



See the March and May issues of the bulletin for the rest of the host district Grange histories.

Fernwood #770

Date chartered: December 15, 1930
 Location: 216 N Springbrook Rd, Newberg
 Date building was first occupied as a Grange hall: May 18, 1848
 Meeting date and time: Second Saturday at 1 pm
 Number of members: 20
 Master: Wanda Gage
 Best known for: Contributions of lap blankets to VA Hospital and baby blankets and hats to Newberg Hospital
 Other projects: Yearly garage sale



Primary Preferential Election Results

The Election Board met Tuesday, January 10, in the state office to compile results of the Primary Preferential Election held in Subordinate/Community Granges during the month of December. The board was co-chaired by Beverly Doescher and Myrna Colvin. Other members included Lyle Utt, Carol Everman, Wayne Johnston, Frank Knapp, Katherine Luttrell, John Knox, Doris Reid and Rose Esbenschade.

The results are as follows:

MASTER		SECRETARY	
Malcolm Trupp	476	Phyllis Wilson	908
Susan Noah	461		
OVERSEER		GATEKEEPER	
Celia Luttrell	884	Orrin Schnetzky	857
LECTURER		CERES	
Kendell Phillips	846	Liz Dehne	859
STEWARD		POMONA	
Ed Andersen	869	Qiana Helm	459
		Dottie Maas	414
ASSISTANT STEWARD		FLORA	
Phil Van Buren	892	Cookie Trupp	889
LADY ASSISTANT STEWARD		EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE #1	
Louise Holst	885	No Candidate	
CHAPLAIN		EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE #2	
Peggy Fine	481	Don Sether	537
Dan Le Brun	230	Bob Ludi	364
Randi Embree	221		
TREASURER		EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE #3	
Paula Herrick	464	Roger Wilson	544
Sarah Kingsborough	436	Dean High	336

In the position for Chaplain, the two (2) candidates with the largest number of votes will remain on the ballot for the Final Preferential Election to be held in April at Subordinate/Community Granges.

In the position for Executive Committee #1, nominations will be made by delegates at the June State Session.



The Lecturer's Report

Our conferences are coming up fast, and I really hope that your Grange is planning on sending the Lecturer, or other interested party to join with us. Our District chairmen are working hard to make sure that everything is in place, and to make sure that we have a really good conference. Of course what makes any conference worthwhile is the exchange of information between all of us, so please come and share the programs that have worked at your Grange. I would love to have information from all around the state to hand out at State Session this year. Also for those of you that did not receive a book last year, they will be available at these conferences as well.

I'm still trying to schedule District #1 and District #6 conferences, so if you Grange is in one of these and you would like to host please give me a call. Otherwise the conferences already scheduled are:

District #2
Santiam Valley Grange
February 4th 1:00 – 5:00
District #3
Winona Grange
March 24th 10:00 – 2:30
District #4
Sunnyside Grange
February 12th 1:00 – 5:00
District #5
Terrebonne Grange
April 21st 10:00 – 2:30

It's been awhile since we have had conferences around the state, so I'm hoping for a large turn out.

It's also time to turn your thoughts to State Session. I know that sounds crazy, it's only January after all, but time flies. We have many contests available to members, the art and photography contests, writing contests, flyers, etc. Start getting ready now and you will have something to enter in June. Remember the Talent Contest also. Our overall winner will receive a trip to National Grange in Boise this November. With Boise so close, you will be assured of lots of friends attending to cheer you on!

Fraternally,
Susan Noah
State Lecturer

Secretaries' Conference

Phyllis Wilson, Oregon State Grange Secretary, will conduct a Secretaries' Conference on February 18 from 10 am to noon at Tigard Grange, 13770 SW Pacific Highway in Tigard. While this Conference was requested by Secretaries in Washington County, all Secretaries in District #3 and beyond are welcome to attend. Phyllis will fill her suitcase with current forms and supplies. She'll come prepared explain each and answer all your questions.

Letter from the State Grange attorney:

Don Willner, who has been our State Grange attorney for about 40 years, has appointed Portland attorney, Nancy Murray, as the State Grange associate attorney. Nancy has a farm background and has practiced real estate law. She was recommended by Don's longtime friend, Craig Chisholm, who has done title insurance work for the State Grange for many years.

Don is not retiring and will make his traditional report at the next annual grange session. He will be training Nancy to take over when he is ready to retire. Nancy has already worked on three Grange projects under Don's direction.

Your Name: _____

Moving? Let Us Know.

New address: _____

Grange Name/Number: _____

Old Address: _____

Mail to: Oregon Grange Bulletin





Reserve Seaside Lodging Early

The 139th Annual State Session will be held at the Seaside Convention Center June 10-15, 2012. While there are lots of places to stay, you need to make your reservation early because another convention precedes ours and a car show overlaps with it. These rates are current for a room for two adults. For families you may want to consider a condo or house.

Name	Address	Distance ¹	Phone	Units	Rates	Website
Beachside Inn	300 5 th Ave	.26 miles	800-845-1284 503-738-5363	12	\$70-175	beachsideinnseaside.com
Best Western Ocean View	414 N Prom	.30 miles	800-234-8439 503-738-3334	107	\$139-319	www.oceanviewresort.com
Budget Inn	521 Beach Dr	.41 miles	800-479-5191 503-717-8841	12	\$77 & up	www.seasideteam.com/budgetinns
City Center Motel	250 1st Ave	.07 miles	800-479-5191 503-738-6377	40	\$73 & up	www.seasideteam.com/budgetinns/citycenter.html
Coast River Inn	800 S Holladay	.54 miles	800-479-5191 503-738-8474	20	\$99 & up	www.seasideteam.com/budgetinns
Comfort Inn Boardwalk	545 Broadway	.32 miles	800-288-5151 503-738-3011	65	\$128.32-168.32	www.comfortinn.com/hotel-seaside-oregon-OR421
Ebb Tide Resort	300 N Prom	.26 miles	800-468-6232 503-738-8371	99	\$150-220	www.ebbtideseaside.com/
Hillcrest Inn	118 N. Columbia	.11 miles	800-270-7659 503-738-6273	27	\$65-245	www.seasidehillcrest.com/
Holiday Inn Express	34 N. Holladay	.19 miles	800-465-4329 503-717-8000	79	\$105.99-186.66	www.hiexpress.com
Inn at Seaside	441 2 nd Ave	.09 miles	800-699-5070 503-738-9581	47	\$99-109	www.innatseaside.com/
The Mariner	429 S Holladay	.38 miles	800-479-5191 503-738-3690	31	\$71.50 & up	www.seasideteam.com/budgetinns
Microtel Inn & Suites	2455 S Roosevelt	1.57 miles	866-482-7666 503-738-8971	60	\$80.67-100.67	www.microtelinn.com/
Ocean Front Motel	50 1 st Avenue	.17 miles	866-808-5661 503-738-5661	35	\$128.44	oceanfrontseaside.com
River View Inn	555 Avenue G	.55 miles	800-479-5191 503-738-0670	21	\$82.50 & up	www.seasideteam.com/budgetinns
Rivertide Suites	102 N. Holladay	.14 miles	877-871-8433, 503-717-1100	70	\$131.74-172.82	www.rivertidesuites.com/
Royale Motel	531 Avenue A	.42 miles	888-345-1012 503-738-9541	26	\$99-159	www.theroyalemotel.com/
Sandy Cove Inn	241 Avenue U	.45 miles	800-237-7463 503-738-7473	19	\$79.83-179	sandycoveinn.net/
Seashore Inn	60 N Prom	.24 miles	888-738-6368 503-738-6368	54	\$132.33-242.33	www.seashoreinnor.com
Shilo Ocean Front	30 N Prom	.31 miles	800-222-2244 503-738-9571	113	\$159.99-399.95	www.shiloinns.com/
Shilo Suites East	900 S Holladay	.58 miles	800-222-2244 503-738-0549	59	\$129-159	www.shiloinns.com/

¹ Driving distance from the Seaside Convention Center located at 415 1st Avenue.

Motel 6 is not listed because it does not have availability for June 10-16.

RV Parks & Campgrounds

Name	Address	Distance ¹	Phone	Sites	Rates	Website
Circle Creek RV Park & Campground	85658 Highway 101	2.41 miles	503-738-6070	75	38.73/day 232.38/wk	circlecreekrv.com/
Seaside Resort, Thousand Trails	1703 12th Ave	1.11 miles	800.288.7245	241	non-members 78/day	www.thousandtrails.com/getaways/oregon/seaside.asp
Cannon Beach RV Resort	340 Elk Creek Rd, Cannon Beach	7.8 miles	800-847-2231	100	30/day	www.cbrvresort.com/
KOA	1100 NW Ridge Rd, Hammond	14.08 miles	800-562-8506			koa.com/campgrounds/astoria/#
Fort Stevens State Park	100 Peter Iredale Rd Hammond, OR	14.44 miles	800-452-5687	476	\$27/day	www.stateparks.com/fort_stevens.html

Oregon State Grange Youth Officer Application

Due to the State Youth Director by April 15, 2012

Name: _____ Age (on June 1, 2012): _____
 Address: _____

Phone: _____ eMail: _____
 To assist the state youth team in making youth officer assignments, please share your preference for which offices to be considered.
 1. _____ 2. _____ 3. _____

NOTE: With state convention being a week earlier in 2012, we are staggering the arrival times to encourage youth to participate at convention. Youth that can arrive by Monday evening and are prepared to practice Tuesday morning will be given the priority for opening speaking/floorwork offices (M, O, S, AS, LAS, Ch & C). All youth officers must arrive Wednesday morning for practice.

What is the **earliest** you can arrive at the State Grange Convention in Seaside?
 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday

Briefly explain your first choice

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

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

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

What National Achievement Awards have you or are you planning to accomplish? (As a youth officer you will be required to complete the National Trivia Challenge Test at state session, references provided)

I agree that if I am selected to be a Youth Officer, I will attend all scheduled practice sessions and be prepared to open State Grange Session on Friday morning. I further agree that if I have a speaking part, I will have it committed to memory and recited to my Pomona Master by June 1st. Failure to prove memorization by June 1st can result in forfeiting your youth office. I will also wear the proper attire for the opening of the Oregon State Grange on Thursday morning. Dress code for men include: slacks, button-up shirt, jacket, tie and dress shoes. Dress code for women includes: floor length dress (preferably with straps) and dress shoes. (Military dress uniform is allowed/encouraged if serving on active duty). If you need help finding these items, please contact the Youth Director. You are expected to participate in the youth activities (delegate work is the priority) and lend a helping hand to any task requested.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____
 I affirm the first 4 degrees or the welcoming ceremony had been received before this application was signed (initials) _____

2012 OSG State Session Meal Ticket Order Form

To lower meal costs, banquets will be **luncheons** (see story on page 1). We must give the caterer a head count prior to the session. Therefore, you must **reserve your meal tickets no later than JUNE 1. Meal tickets will NOT be sold at the convention!**

Meal	Menu	Day	Quantity	Price Each	Total
"Indoor Picnic at the Beach"	Ham, baked beans, potato salad, green salad, dessert, beverage	Sunday		Adult	\$ 11.00
				12 & under	\$ 7.50
Foundation Luncheon	Soup & Salad Bar, clam chowder & vegetable, roll, green salad with toppings, dessert, beverage	Monday		Adult	\$ 9.50
				12 & under	\$ 6.50
Membership Luncheon	Oven Fried Chicken, mashed potatoes, vegetables, salad, roll, dessert, beverage	Tuesday		Adult	\$ 12.50
				12 & under	\$ 8.50
GWA Luncheon	Beef Stroganoff w/egg noodles, vegetable, salad, roll, dessert, beverage	Wednesday		Adult	\$ 10.50
				12 & under	\$ 7.00
Officers' Luncheon* (Open to all)	Hamburger / hot dog, potato salad, baked beans, chips, dessert, beverage	Thursday		Adult	\$ 9.50
				12 & under	\$ 6.50
Youth Luncheon	Beef Stew w/buttermilk biscuit, fruit salad, dessert, beverage	Friday		Adult	\$ 7.00
				12 & under	\$ 5.00

* At Officers' Luncheon state officers eat with their Junior & Youth counterparts; Past state officers eat together; Delegates & visitors sit with others who hold the same office

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

Name of Granger: _____
 Grange: _____
 Personal Address: _____
 Telephone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Please make check payable to: 2012 State Grange Session Committee

Mail form and check to:
 Doris Thurston
 10251 SW River Bend Rd,
 McMinnville, OR 97128

The caterer will prepare gluten free or other special diet foods if ordered ahead of time. The price will likely be higher than the listed price for that luncheon. Contact Eva Frost at twins2@opusnet.com or 503-543-7720.





The Secretary's Column

Elsewhere in this publication are the results of the Primary Preferential Election held in Granges during the month of December. With 181 Granges in the state less than half of them submitted certified reports showing the balloting results by their members. Each election year, we see how few members and/or Granges participate in our election process. Almost every year at State Session, delegates defeat any resolutions authored to improve our election process. It ends up with only a few members and/or Granges determining who will lead our organization.

If we like our present system so much, why do Granges not take the time to vote? If you have an answer to this question, I would really like to hear from you.

Another concern I have are the certified reports received back that were disqualified by the Election Board. By the way, the Election Board is chosen by the State Master according to our by-laws and must consist of six Pomona Masters and other members as needed.

A letter is sent to each Secretary explaining what needs to be included on the Certified Report.....very easy instructions to follow....before the report is sent to the office.

Several reports were disqualified because they lacked the Grange seal. Other reports did not include the name of the Master and/or Secretary, did not show the date of the meeting at which the election was held and the number of members present. Some reports did not even have the name of the Grange!!!!

The deadline for the reports to be in the office was clearly shown in the Secretary's instructions.....Thursday, January 5th....to be exact. The office was receiving certified reports as late as the week of January 16th.

Do you have any suggestions on how to circumvent the incorrect and late certified reports? We have the Final Preferential Election coming in April and any positive advice you can offer will be warmly received.

Transition Time for Oregon State Grange

As you probably all know by now, Larry Rea resigned as our State Master effective December 31, 2011. I believe he holds the "world record" for traveling to Granges throughout our state. His Chevy Blazer has over 300,000 miles on it and was his portable office. In addition to being a trustworthy and dedicated Master, he had served as a State Deputy and member of the Executive Committee. His knowledge of Granges, our by-laws and the history of so many former and current Granges is unbeatable. Thanks, Larry, for your time served. You are a special friend of the Grange and, also, a special personal friend of mine. You deserve your "honorable discharge" from your duties. May your days be spent enjoying the spring blooms, butterflies and birds.

Mark Noah now wears the official Master's sash and will spend his time keeping our "house in order" before a new Master is elected in June. He will retain all the current directors and plans on no major changes. Congratulations to you, Mark, as I know you will be diligent in your work and will do a great job in your tenure. Just keep reminding yourself which job in Salem you are headed for during the week.

Writing Resolutions

Many Granges will be writing resolutions for State Session. PLEASE do your homework beforehand and see whether or not your idea for a resolution is already Grange policy. Time after time, resolutions are deliberated on at state and national only to find out that the reason behind the resolution is already policy. Check out the National Grange website or our website to do your research.

Think Spring

Tuesday, March 20, is the first day of spring. Look beyond the snow, chilling temperatures, flooding and wind storms....think of those warm days when we can be outside in our gardens and flower beds. And better yet....when some of our cold, drafty Grange halls will once again be warm and dry!!!!

Keep on Grangin'
Phyllis Wilson

Grange Growth Summit

Washington State Grange Membership Director Rusty Hunt along with Malcolm and Cookie Trupp, Co-Membership Directors of the Oregon State Grange, will present a Grange Growth Summit, hosted by the Washington and Oregon State Granges, at Fern Prairie Grange in Clark County March 16-18.

The weekend will be filled with practical hands-on training on how to revitalize old Granges and start new Granges by using teams. The hours are 6:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. Saturday, and 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. Sunday.

There is a registration fee of \$25 per person. For your fee you get all the materials and lunch and dinner on Saturday. Make your reservations for the summit by contacting Jan Oleson at the Oregon State Grange in Salem at 503-316-0106. Make your checks out to the Oregon State Grange. Those attending the summit will have to make their own hotel reservations. The summit is using the Best Western Plus Parkersville Inn & Suites in Washougal. Make your reservations at <http://bestwesternwashington.com/hotels/best-western-plus-parkersville-inn-and-suites> or call (360) 835-9292.

The tentative summit schedule is as follows:

Friday: 6 p.m.-9 p.m. Introduction of participants, "Choose Your Altitude" workshop, fun team building activity.

Saturday: 8 a.m.-9 a.m. Workshop, "Revitalization with Teams."

9 a.m.-11 a.m. Split into teams. Teams choose leader, assign jobs. Scouting reports of Granges. Teams determine program. Team leaders share programs with the group.

11 a.m.-Noon. Teams travel to Granges.

Noon-1 p.m. Teams eat potluck with Grange.

1 p.m.-3 p.m. Teams implement program.

3 p.m.-4:30 p.m. Teams travel back to meeting room.

4:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Teams report to group.

5:30 p.m.-7 p.m. Dinner.

7 p.m.-9 p.m. Workshop, "Creating Grange Growth." Fun Team Building Activity.

Sunday: 9 a.m.-11 a.m. Future plans for visiting states. Priorities (revitalization/organization).

We encourage all members to attend.

Malcolm and Cookie Trupp
Co-Membership Chairs

Youth Report

Hope all had a very enjoyable holiday season filled with love, laughter, family and friends.

The New Year is here and it is time to look forward to 2012. Let's first look at the youth contests and programs that are eagerly waiting for your support and participation. Please note: all applications can be found on the youth page of the Oregon State Grange Website.

These applications are to be forwarded to our Worthy State Master

- Drill Team Competition due to State Master by March 31st

- Installation Team Contest due to State Master by March 31st

These applications are to be forwarded to the State Youth Director

- State Youth Officer application due April 15th

- Horizon Leadership Ambassador application due May 15th

- Oregon Young Adult application due May 15th

- Oregon Teenage application due May 15th

- Bowling Team Contest application due May 15th

- Public Speaking Contest application due May 15th

- Sign a Song Contest application due May 15th

- Oregon Grange Family of the Year application due May 15th

- Button Design Contest application due June 20th

- National Youth Officer Team application due August 1st

Don't forget there are also scholarships that can be tapped for continuing education. Read carefully and be aware of any conditions tied to the application and monies.

- Grange Insurance Association due by March 1st

- Charles E Spence Memorial due to Oregon State Grange by May 13th

- Grange Workers Activities due to GWA Director, Bev Doescher, by May 15th

- Mary Helen Sauter Ramm Memorial due to OSG Foundation by June 1st

- Marcel "Muzzy" Mandel Memorial due to OSG Office by June 19th

- National GROW Club due to National Youth Director, Charlene Shupp-Espenshade, postmarked by September 1st

With our annual state convention being a week earlier this year in Seaside, the week of youth activities will have a unique schedule. We are looking at the youth officers opening on Friday morning and giving the youth an extra day or two to finish their school year and arrive at state convention. We face some challenges but I am confident with the talent on board the state youth team, an outstanding program will be available for the youth at state convention. The state youth officer application is elsewhere in this bulletin. It can also be found online at www.orgrange.org/youth. The application is due to the State Youth Director by April 15th. If eMailed (to OSG.Youth@gmail.com), it must arrive to the inbox by April 15th. If

mailed (to Cat Thomas, 1649 NE Kane Dr, Gresham OR 97030), it must be postmarked by April 15th.

I wish to encourage an installation team to notify the State Master of their interest to participate in the Installation Contest. The winning team has the honor and distinction of installing the Oregon State Officers at Seaside. If no team enters, with the consent of the State Master, the youth will do the honors. However, do you really wish to listen to me do the installing officer dialogue again? Please watch our group, Oregon State Grange Youth, on facebook and join the conversation. It is also a location to watch for announcements of the State Youth Team meetings. All state team meetings are open to youth and anyone interested in the youth program; the more voices, the more ideas which leads to a more active youth program.

Keep encouraging a youth,
Cat 'Kitty' Thomas

GIA 2012-2013 Scholarship Program

Grange Insurance Association will again fund 25 scholarships for the 2012-2013 school year totaling over \$26,500 and will award two (2) special memorial scholarships in the amount of \$1,000 and \$500, respectively.

Applicants may apply for a scholarship in either an academic or vocational area of studies with 22 awards given for winners pursuing academic studies and three (3) for vocational studies.

The top scoring applicant in each category receives \$1,500 and each additional winner receives \$1,000. Alternates are also named in the event a winner is unable to use the award.

Winner of the Paul and Ethel Holter Memorial Scholarship will receive \$1,000 and the winner of the Dee and Ina McKern Memorial Scholarship will receive \$500.

Applicants for all scholarships must meet one of the following:

- o Currant GIA policyholder (or child of GIA policyholder) in California, Colorado, Idaho, Oregon, Washington or Wyoming
- o Child of current GIA company employee
- o A previous recipient of a GIA scholarship

The application and summary of required documents can be found on the Grange Insurance Assoc. website ([www.Grange Insurance Association.com](http://www.GrangeInsuranceAssociation.com)) or the Oregon State Grange website (www.orgrange.org). The GIA website has a scholarship link. On the OSG website, choose the "form" link and arrow down to scholarships. No new applications will be accepted after March 1st (postmarked). For further information contact the GIA Scholarship coordinator at 1-800-247-2643, Ext. 2200.



Membership Report

We hope everyone had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. We had the opportunity to spend New Years Eve at Disneyland and on January 2 at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena. We had a very enjoyable time.

The New Year brings new officers and committee people at many Oregon Granges. At beginning of a new year, we should all spend some time reserving dates for 2012 Grange events. The dates of the Granges major fund raisers and community activities should be scheduled well in advance. It is important to look at other events occurring in the vicinity of the Grange and either realizes a conflict or an opportunity to partner with others in the community.

By scheduling your events at the beginning of the year, your members along with the community can schedule other events around them and increase the attendance at your event. At Spencer Creek Grange, we send out a newsletter with these dates with the dues notices. All of your members can mark their calendars and make sure the events are on their schedule

Also the New Year brings renewal enthusiasm to recruit new members to the Grange. New members want to belong to a happy, positive Grange. Grange work is fun and rewarding. Make sure you reflect that in your discussions with non-members and the Community. We both have fun participating in the functions at our Grange and the Community knows it. The members support each other doing Grange Work.

We introduce four major reasons why people join the Grange and continue to belonging to the Grange. They are Fellowship, Leadership, Community, and Service. When you discuss the Grange with non-members make sure you include these in your discussion.

Be Positive, Be Active, Be involved
~ Promote the Grange!

Fraternally,
Malcolm and Cookie Trupp
Oregon State Grange
Membership Co-Directors
malcolmandcookie@aol.com

The Chaplain's Report

NOTHING'S IMPOSSIBLE

FOR WHICH CAUSE WE
FAINT NOT; BUT THOUGH OUR
OUTWARD MAN PERISH, YET
THE INWARD MAN IS RENEWED
DAY BY DAY.

II Corinthians 4:16

A terrible racket woke Fern early one Saturday morning, and she scrambled out of bed. "I wonder what's going on outside," she said to her husband, Willard, who was also awake. "Guess we'd better find out." Willard rushed to the window, and Fern did the same. She lifted the dark shade and gasped. Pounding hailstones poured from the sky, covering the deck and beating the plants in their yard to shreds. "Such weather we're having for this time of the year," Willard mumbled with a shake of his head. Fern nodded. "I've never seen this much hail come down in the month of September before. My beautiful flowers will all be gone." When the hail stopped coming down and the couple had gotten dressed, they headed outside to survey the damage. "See that pile of hailstones?" Willard pointed to a spot near the front step. "I'll bet it's nearly a foot deep!" "The tender leaves on the trees look pathetic. It's impossible for anything to have survived that storm," Fern said as she glanced around a yard that had been bursting with color yesterday. She started to head back inside, but Willard stopped her. "Look there, at that patch of hail near the maple tree." He pointed across the yard. Fern's face broke into a smile. "Oh, Willard, there's purple pansy sticking its head out. I guess everything didn't die after all." He reached over and took hold of her hand. "Even if the flowers and leaves hadn't made it, most likely they would have come back next spring." There are many times when we feel weighed down by unexpected, unpleasant circumstances. But with God nothing is impossible. He gives us promises like the one found in Lamentations 3:22-23:

"It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not. They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness."

Even when the burdens of life take us down, through Christ we can be renewed in spirit every day.

Daniel W/ Le Brun
Oregon Grange State
Chaplain

GWA Report

Greetings Grange Brothers & Sisters

My prayer for you for the coming year is Health, Happiness and Prosperity. We have a new year to look forward to. This year for Foster families, I would suggest we keep doing blankets and hats but add socks. Don Darlins wife said that many of these children don't even have a pair of matching socks.

That just blows my mind!!! So when you are out shopping and you see some socks for infants to 18 year old that are on sale, maybe you could add a pair to your basket. We also need money donation each year.

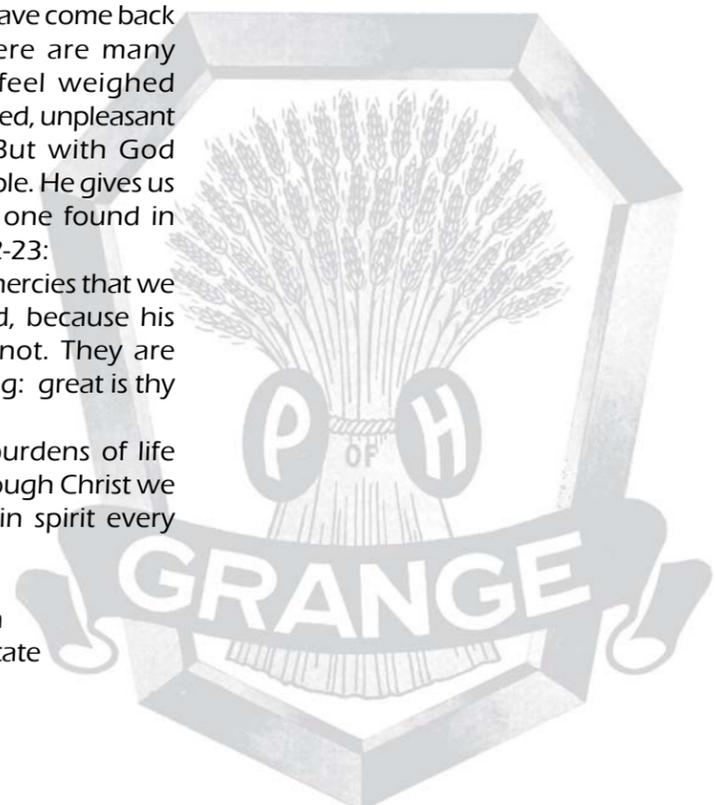
I'm sure each of you have got an interesting contest entry in the process for this year at State Session. I

always look forward to seeing what you have made. I will be attending the Phoenix Grange GWA conference on Feb. 11, 9:00 coffee, snacks and visiting, 10:00 a.m. conference with Potluck following. On March 24th at Redland Grange 10:00 a.m. we will be having another GWA conference which I will be attending.

If you have a new contest in mind, please let me know as soon as possible. Also if those of you who are currently sponsoring a contest have decided to stop I need to know right away.

I look forward to seeing all of you at Seaside in June.

Fraternally,
Beverly Doescher
OSG GWA Director



London Grange #937

For the past few years the London GWA has sponsored a Quilt Block Contest. The contest was originally envisioned as a Lane Pomona District event but last year Julie Schnetzky called and asked if 5 Granges in her area could take part; we agreed and that broadened our base somewhat. This year we are opening the Quilt Block Contest up to any Grange member in the State of Oregon. By the way, the winner of last year's Quilt was Julie Schnetzky! Julie said "It's gorgeous! I could never have imagined how beautiful it would be." She took it to Tigard Grange where the members admired it; all chose favorite blocks and then tried to pick out which quilt block Julie had made. Julie said they never figured it out. She said that Tigard is planning a springtime event and will use the Quilt as a fund-raiser. Following are the Quilt Block Contest rules:

QUILT BLOCK CONTEST - 2012

v We need to know how many folks want to participate in the Quilt Block contest by or before March 1, 2012 so we'll have time to assemble fabric packets. London GWA will furnish you with a packet containing 5 pieces of fabric, each measuring about 10"x12"

v Cost for each fabric packet is \$9 to be paid to Elaine Chapman (for the London GWA) which will help pay for the fabric purchased. You can buy more than one packet and make more than one quilt block. Quilt Blocks may be made by any Grange member in Oregon.

v Fabric packets will be handed out at the Lane Pomona Grange meeting at Willakenzie on April 28, 2012 or will be mailed to you if you can't attend that meeting.

v Quilt blocks may be pieced or appliquéd. However, no buttons, lace or other ornaments may be added. You must use only the fabric in your packet to make the quilt block. And, when the Quilt Block is completed it must measure 12½" x 12½"

v Deadline for completion of quilt blocks is July 28, 2012. Quilt Blocks are to be brought to the Lane Pomona Grange meeting at Junction City by 10:00 a.m. If you're not able to come to the Pomona meeting, quilt blocks should be mailed to Elaine Chapman, at 1534 Jason Lee Avenue, Cottage Grove, OR 97424 at least one week before Pomona meeting. If you need more information, Elaine's phone number is (541) 942-9681.

v Quilt Blocks become the property of London GWA and will be displayed at the July 28th Pomona meeting where we'll have a "People's Choice" vote on all the quilt blocks submitted. The maker of the winning quilt block will be awarded a prize.

v The quilt blocks will be made into a quilt by the London GWA. The number of blocks submitted determines size of the quilt. We'll use as many of the quilt blocks as possible. If extra blocks remain after determining the size of the quilt, they become the property of London GWA and may later be used in a donation to a worthy cause of our choice.

v We will hold a Raffle to determine the winner of the Quilt. Tickets will cost \$1 each or six for \$5. Makers of the quilt blocks will be given 9 raffle tickets for each quilt block they submit and may purchase additional tickets if desired. Proceeds from the raffle become the property of London GWA and will be utilized in any manner they deem most appropriate.

v Raffle tickets may be purchased from Elaine Chapman or any London Grange member at Pomona meetings in July and October. Quilt will be awarded at the Lane Pomona Grange meeting at Dorena on October 27, 2012. We plan to request that the raffle be scheduled as the 1st item of business after lunch.

We hope many novice as well as experienced quilters from all around the state will decide to take part in our Quilt Block Contest this year!

Jeanne Trudeau
London GWA
trudeau@basicisp.net

SANTIAM VALLEY GRANGE #828

In December our Grange had a breakfast where we collected clothing items for children in grades K-12, to hand out to those in need at Christmas.

Santa Claus also came for his annual visit. He handed out "stockings" with candy, fruit and a stuffed toy inside. There was a craft table where children & parents alike could make little boxes out of cards, Advent calendars as well as other items. We played "Pin the Nose on Rudolph", which even Santa Claus enjoyed.

Our January events included a Flea Market and Pancake Breakfast. February we enjoyed the District 2 Lecturers Conference, with a Flea Market on the 18th and a Spaghetti Dinner on the 25th.

Come to our Pancake Breakfast on March 17th, 7 - 10 A.M. and enjoy a great meal, good conversation and maybe you'll see someone you haven't seen in awhile. (You might even make some new friends). On March 24th we will be having a sale of baby items. So if you need baby items, or know of someone who does, the Santiam Valley Grange will be the place to look on March 24th.

Degree Conferrals in Clackamas County

Clackamas Pomona Grange invites you to attend our degree conferrals in February. The first 4 degrees will be conferred on Sunday February 19th at Maplewood Grange. Candidates must arrive by 1:45, degrees start promptly at 2pm. Potluck finger food refreshments will be served between the 2nd and 3rd degrees. The 5th Degree will be conferred on Saturday February 25th at Boring-Damascus Grange. The youth fundraiser dinner begins at 6pm followed by a Lecturer's Program and Scholarship Pie Auction. The 5th Degree will begin at 8pm.



Garfield Grange Master Richard Hartwig, John Poppino 65yr award, Mary Poppino 50yr award, OSG Master Larry Rea in attendance at the October meeting of Garfield Grange.

Clackamas Pomona Grange's Award Dessert Extravaganza

Clackamas Pomona Grange will take a pause to recognize the efforts and successes of their members and Granges' at the Annual Clackamas Pomona Grange Award Dessert Extravaganza. This event will be hosted at Milwaukie Grange on March 31st at 2:30pm.

Grange's throughout the county create a theme table then act as host to member's and guests throughout the county. Scrumptious cookies, fancy desserts and fresh fruit kabobs with coffee and lemonade are the perfect accompaniment to lively conversations around the table. Music and a keynote speaker add delight to the festivities.

We come together to celebrate our achievements and honor those who continue to serve our communities. Potential awards presented include Grange builder awards, Volunteer Granger of the Year, Youth of the Year, Youth Booster of the Year, and Membership Gain certificates. Subordinates are also encouraged to use this event to honor their (non-Grange) community members, police / firefighters / teachers, as Community Citizen of the Year.

Western Regional Grange Family Reunion

Western Regional 2012 - A Family Reunion is a weekend of inspiration, education, leadership growth and networking. The weekend has something for everyone wherever you may be in your grange journey, a new member just starting their journey to the seasoned granger who has contributed to our fine organization for years.

This year's regional conference is being hosted by Oregon. Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond has been secured as the facilities. The conference will be August 3-5, 2012. Sarah Kingsborough, Melissa High and Cat 'Kitty' Thomas are working hard to make this an inspiring conference for all in attendance from across the Western Region (California, Washington, Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Wyoming and Oregon).

We'd like to share some of the highlights planned thus far.

To encourage participation and early registration, we have an incentive to register early. For every 40 paid registrations received by the early deadline of April 15 2012, we will provide one free room night, a value of \$105, in a random drawing among qualified registrations. The \$05 will be reimbursed to the winner(s) after attendance at the Western Regional Grange Conference is confirmed. Early registration deadline is April 15th, postmark counts. This is important; while you can use the Eagle Crest website to check on the facilities and area attractions, you MUST call Eagle Crest to make your room reservations to use the Oregon State Grange Group Code to receive your room discount. Mail registration and check directly to the OSG office.

There will be a second raffle for a nice gift basket (items to be determined yet). Any member who brings a prospective member to the conference or a member who joined in 2012, will have their name entered into a raffle for the gift basket.

For those interested, the weekend will allow a meeting with the National Youth Director and National Junior Director. They will share information about their respective programs for the upcoming year regarding new programs, program changes and goals set by their departments. Anyone interested in the programs can participate; junior and youth leaders are especially encouraged to participate.

The National Youth Director asked all regions to provide an opportunity for youth and young at heart to earn a National Youth Ruby Drill Achievement Award. State Granges that choose can have a drill created for the exhibition. For states unable to pull together a team, there will be an opportunity to join a regional drill team and learn a drill at the conference.

While we are a family fraternity and believe the family should work and play together, we wish to also provide a program specific to the juniors. When the adults are in workshops, the Oregon Junior Team will have crafts and age appropriate activities for the juniors. Juniors will join the adults for meals and fun time.



2012 Western Regional Grange Conference "Family Reunion"

Registration Form

Early registration discount and *incentives! Registrations submitted with payment by April 15 = \$90

Registrations submitted with payment after April 15, 2012 = \$115

Mail registration & check (payable to Oregon State Grange) to OSG, 643 Union St NE, Salem OR 97301

Email to WesternRegional2012@gmail.com or Fax to OSG Office: 503.360.0106

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

eMail: _____ Phone: _____

Grange and No: _____ State: _____

Junior (ages 5 to 13) Youth (ages 14 to 35) Young at Heart (ages 36+)

Are you interested in participating in the Drill Exhibition for the opportunity to earn the Ruby Level of the Drill National Achievement Award? Yes No

Do you require special meals? Vegetarian Vegan Allergies

Special Meal Comments _____

A roster will be created of all attendees allowing Grangers to stay connected. The following to be included: Grange Name/No, Name, Mailing Address, eMail, Phone, Age category. Do we have permission to publish your personal information in a roster to be distributed to all grange members attending 2012 Western Regional's Family Reunion? Yes No

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

Please share recommendations for workshop topics _____

Western Regional Grange Conference – August 3-5, 2012 Eagle Crest Resort, Redmond Oregon

*For every 40 paid registrations received by April 15, 2012 1 free room night, equivalent to \$105, will be given away in a random drawing among qualified registrations. The \$105 will be reimbursed to the winner after attendance at the Western Regional Grange Conference is confirmed.

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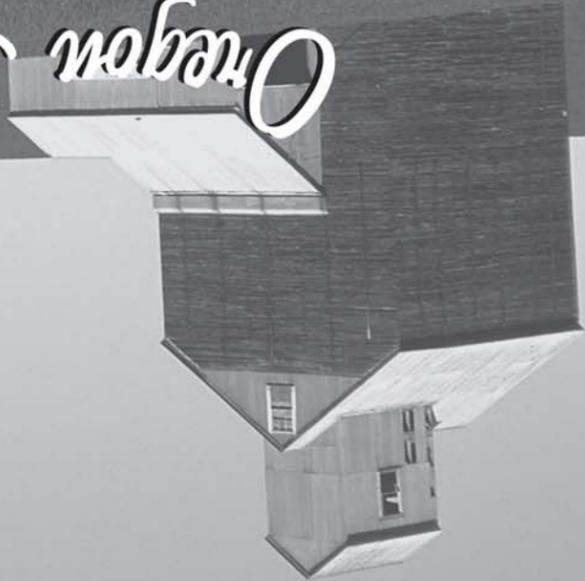
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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

God does not spare us trials, but He helps us overcome them.



FOOD FOR THE BODY

- Impossible Cheeseburger Pie
Ingredients:
- 1 pound ground beef or sausage
 - 1/2 cup chopped onion
 - 1/2 teaspoon salt
 - 1/4 teaspoon pepper
 - 1 1/2 cups milk
 - 3 eggs
 - 3/4 cup Bisquick
 - 1/2 pint pizza sauce
 - 1 cup shredded cheese

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. In a large skillet, brown the meat and onions. Add salt and pepper, then spread in 9-inch pie pan. Set aside. Beat milk, eggs, and Bisquick together until smooth. Pour over the meat and bake for 30 minutes or until knife comes out clean. Top with pizza sauce and cheese.

Clara Mast

Next Stop - Grange Youth Scavenger Hunt!

All are invited to join the youth of Clackamas County for their annual scavenger hunt on tri-met's max trains on March 24th. The day begins at Sunnyside Grange at 9am for a meet & greet. The day's challenge will be shared along with guidelines and safety tips. Participants will be split into groups with at least one older youth assigned to mentor each group. Groups will scavenge the various max lines, collecting items such as starbucks coffee sleeves or zoo tickets, or taking pictures of the group at landmarks throughout the Portland Metropolitan Area. Several checkpoints during the day occur to ensure all groups are on task and working safely as a team. Members are encouraged to wear Grange merchandise to promote the Grange with the public and to bring non-Grange friends to introduce them to the fun and fellowship of our organization. Teams will return back to Sunnyside Grange to turn in their treasures, have dinner, play bunco with the members of Sunnyside Grange, and spend the night on the Grange hall floor. Breakfast & awards will be provided Sunday morning. Cost is approximately \$20 per person to cover an all day ticket on the max train and lunch out. For more details or to reserve your spot, please contact the Clackamas Grange Youth at clackamas.grange.youth@gmail.com. Follow us on Facebook!

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